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Center interfaces with four-states

Business department plays key role in mission

By Chris Roberts
Diversions Editor

Thanks to the efforts of a few instructors in the business department, Missouri Southern's international mission has yet another outlet. The International Trade and Quality Center develops international consulting and resource assistance for four-state organizations and individuals wishing to be involved in international trade. The main goal is to interface with businesses in the four-state area in such a way

as to help them become more successful abroad," said William Bradberry, associate professor of business and one of the key members of the Center.

"It's just another way that we can help to immerse students in every facet of the business world. There are always the classes, internships, exchange programs, international trips, and any number of other things. The Trade and Quality Center is basically an umbrella of all of that."

The Center has been around since Fall 1996, when Terry Marion, former director of human resources at Eagleicher, came to Missouri Southern as a business professor and director of the Center.

"Our Center is actually a member of the World Trade Center in St. Louis," Marion said. "There are a number of World Trade

Centers throughout the world, and each one has a specialty. Ours, as with St. Louis, is in seminars and trade missions."

In accordance with that, Southern's Center will be holding a European Business, Language, and Culture seminar from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday in Room 310 of the Billingsly Student Center.

"This seminar is part of a series of three," Marion said. "The next one will be in October and will emphasize Latin American business."

In addition to seminars, the Center makes free referrals.

"We have a lot of local businesses that call seeking out some type of referral," Marion said.

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HOPPADD PAOTHONG/The Chart

French international students Flore Chevallier, Francois Romac, Jérôme Guilb, and Fabien Corbillion speak with Thomasina Hutchinson (center), of Noel, Wednesday after dinner in the Dianne Mayes Student Life Center.

QUITE A STRETCH



SARAH LANGFORD/The Chart

Aaron Divine (far right), freshman secondary education major, untangles his arms from his College Orientation group while participating in an activity outside of the Mills Anderson Justice Center.

Awareness Week takes new angle

By Elizabeth Schurman
City News Editor

Beginning Monday, several College organizations are teaming up to promote responsible drinking with expanded awareness activities during Alcohol Awareness Week, Oct. 20-24.

"It's a week-long event this year instead of just seminars and screenings," said Kelly Goodnight, coordinator of new student programs. "The different organizations have come together to form a week-long awareness."

An information booth and emergency service demonstrations will be set up all week in front of the campus from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Alcohol Awareness Week starts Monday with a trivia contest. Alcohol screenings will be conducted from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Student Support Center (SSC). Movie screenings featuring *Ed TV* and *American Pie* will run from 7 p.m. to midnight in the Mayes Student Life Center.

Sports night premieres Tuesday from

7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Young Gymnasium with open pool and racquetball. Prizes will be awarded for the contests.

Wednesday night is the main event. Karaoke night will be held in Club BSC (the Lion's Den) from 8 p.m. to midnight. There will be contests, prizes, refreshments, and non-alcoholic mixes.

Before the home football game Thursday, a drum circle in front of the stadium will provide opportunity for more prizes.

"We're trying to take a different look at AA Week," said Donnie Greenlee, chairman and senior math major. "This year we are going more for the positive approach. By that, I mean that we are not going to tell everyone that drinking is bad because we turn off an audience. We are going toward teaching responsible drinking, the dangers of drinking, and a person's limits."

College Orientation sponsored last year's event, which only featured alcohol seminars for freshmen and an alcohol screening. This year, College Orientation, the Residence Hall Association (RHA), the

"This year we are going more for the positive approach."

DONNIE GREENLEE
Senior Math Major

SSC, and the Campus Activities Board (CAB) will jointly sponsor Alcohol Awareness Week.

"We are trying to involve several organizations on campus and broaden the scope of those involved," Greenlee said. "We're taking everyone's ideas to reach fellow students."

It is important for students to take part in the activities primarily to get information and in also get involved on campus," Greenlee said. "We want them to get involved in a non-alcoholic atmosphere with fellow students."

International enrollment rises

By Jeff Billington
Editor-In-Chief

Diversity of the Missouri Southern student body made a major change this year. International students enrolled at Southern number the highest ever.

Deb Gipson, international student adviser, monitors F-1 status students who comprise the bulk of the group. The F-1 category identifies students who are attending Southern of their own volition, not as part of an exchange program.

"From an F-1 standpoint, we have close to 60, between 50 and 60," Gipson said. "We're almost double what we had last year. We ended the year last year with 35 kids, and we're starting close to 70 now counting Nadine's [Schmidt, director of the International Student Exchange Program (ISEP)]."

Schmidt is in charge of the remainder of the international students on campus, whose numbers have also increased.

"We're really excited because this year we do have 11 exchange students," she said.

"That encompasses both ISEP and the new bilateral exchange programs that we have with individual universities."

Schmidt said the reason for this year's increase in exchange students is because of how ISEP organizes its placement.

"Last year we sent so many of our students abroad, and ISEP tries to balance out over a period of a couple of years so you have roughly the same numbers coming in and going out," she said. "They keep a balance sheet for us."

"Since we had so many students go out last year, we took some additional ones in this year to help balance out the exchange."

Tatiana Karmanova, director of the International Language Resource Center, has close contact with most of these students.

"It affects me directly because I'm adviser to the International Club, and the club has grown to incredible numbers," she said.

Gipson said one reason for the increase in international students

comes from the College's world recognition.

"Within the international community, word of mouth is a big factor," she said. "A lot of students that are here now have brought friends or younger siblings or cousins or other people from their homes and friends they've met at other institutions."

Karmanova agrees with Gipson on this point, but believes another reason exists.

"I assume there will be even more students coming," she said. "It will be a growing trend because we have established now the Institute of Intensive English where students from abroad will come and study English. I believe it will be a great enhancement of the international mission of Missouri Southern."

Schmidt said this growth will benefit all Southern students.

"Our students who are from the U.S. originally get the chance to interact with people from other countries," Schmidt said. "Also, the exchange students tend to be involved in campus activities."

Karmanova said it helps to educate Southern students.

"Because they will be having more international students in their classrooms, they will be interacting on an unofficial everyday basis with those students, and will learn a lot from casual conversation with them," she said. "I believe it will help to broaden their education."

Gipson said the importance of this goes beyond the College.

"I think it helps the international mission, but above and beyond that, I think that it is good for southwest Missouri to have opinion or views from different parts of the world," she said. "That helps this area of the country, to have a different perspective on things."

Schmidt concluded that as Southern continues on its current course, there will be more growth in this area.

"Missouri Southern's a great place and I think as its reputation grows, not only in the U.S. but internationally, it will naturally attract more students from not only other countries, but from other parts of the U.S.," she said.

"I believe it will help to broaden their education."

TATIANA KARMANOVA
Director of the
International Language
Resource Center

THIS WEEK

OLDER OF FORTUNE: Missouri Southern students doubling as reservists worked in hand with MPs from El Salvador this week for relief after last fall's Hurricane Mitch. Page 6



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By Kelly Dengel
Managing Editor

In keeping with Missouri Southern's international mission, five Russian individuals visited campus Wednesday in an effort to expand their knowledge of the United States' social, economic, and judicial system.

Russian Initiative, a program sponsored by the Library of Congress, works to develop a partnership between the two nations

and to learn from the differences. Southern was asked by Russian Initiative to host the group for the day because of its strong international influence.

Russian Initiative brought together representatives from diverse geographical areas and occupational backgrounds to learn about Missouri's culture and social patterns.

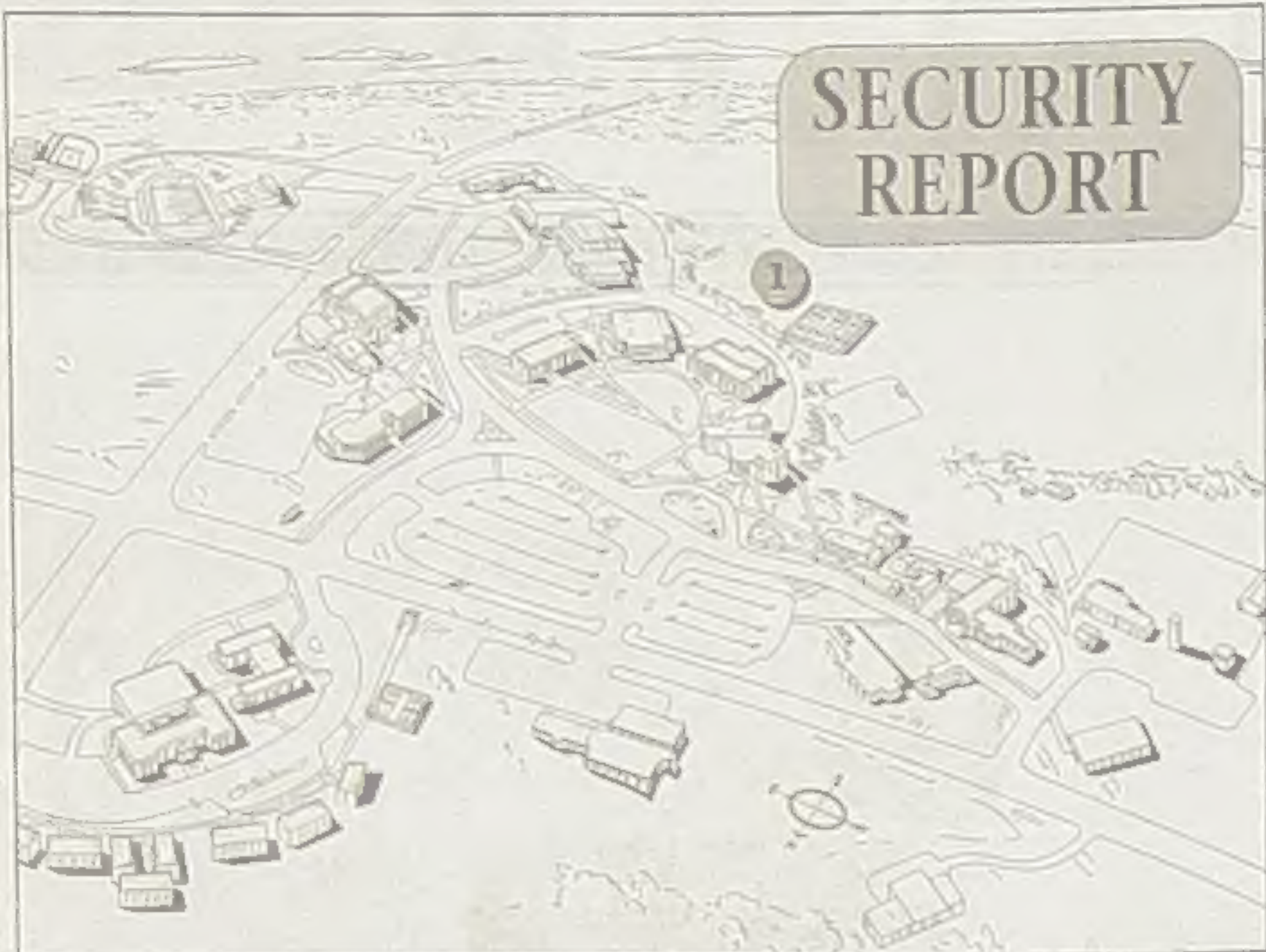
The group consisted of Sergey Isayenko, general director for the Russian Department of Health; Vyacheslav

Romanov, commercial director of a pharmaceutical plant; Yurly Shubin, chairman of the board for a collective farm; and Aleksandr Vereschak, executive director for the Fishing Industry Association. Evgeni Lavrov, from southern Russia, interpreted for the group.

The group arrived Sept. 10, and stayed with host families arranged through the United Methodist Church and the Carthage

TURN TO RUSSIANS, PAGE 10

Russians explore cultural differences

SECURITY
REPORT

09.13.99 Reynolds Hall 1:15 p.m.

Dr. John Messick, head of the biology department, reported the theft of an Olympus CHS binocular microscope, valued at \$1,000 from Room 252, seat 32. Messick reported that he had been unable to locate the microscope for the last week. There are no suspects at this time.

Correction:
Terry Hyton, whose position was not listed in last week's security report, is a Missouri Southern security officer.

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Nelson settles in Texa

Instructor continues standards
at LeTourneau University

BY ERIN SELLERS
Associate Editor

Educating the entire person is what Dr. Dirk Nelson, former head of the kinesiology department, hopes to achieve at his new position.

Nelson left Southern before the beginning of the fall semester to accept a position as chairman of the department of physical education at LeTourneau University in Longview, Texas.

"I know it was a very, very strange time of the year to make this transition, but largely my duties at LeTourneau are the same as at Southern," Nelson said.

He counts the element of faith as the main reason for accepting the position.

"They value faith and a relationship with God just as much as academics, and just as much as anything else at the school," Nelson said.

Another reason for the switch was for his children's future. LeTourneau is one of more than 50 schools of higher education in the Counsel for Christian Colleges and Universities.

Nelson's position as a faculty member at LeTourneau allows his children to attend any of the Counsel-affiliated schools tuition-free.

His children's higher education is on the back burner at this point, as it will be eight years before his oldest child, Alex, will even be able to attend college.

Nelson credits the hospitality of the LeTourneau faculty and staff with helping make his move to Texas a smooth one.

"They're very grateful and very warm," Nelson said. "They bent over backwards to make us welcome." Nelson's wife, Renda, also accepted a position at LeTourneau as a volunteer services coordinator. Although they'll be on the same campus, they'll be working together.

Although he misses his Southern friends and workers, Nelson's new job is the opportunity for which he searched. "We're proud of the things we accomplished in Joplin, but we're looking forward to the future," he said.

DR. DIRK NELSON
Former Head of Kinesiology

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accomplished in Joplin, but we're
looking forward to the future."

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Alcohol Awareness Week

Monday

Trivia contest: 9-2, front campus
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E.M.S. demo: 9-2, front campus

Info Booths: 9-2, front campus

Alcohol Screenings: 8-5, Student

Support Center.

Movie Night: Ed TV, American

History X, 7-midnight, Student Life

Center.

Tuesday

Info Booths: front campus

E.M.S. demo: 9-2, front

campus

Freshman Orientation

Alcohol Seminars

Alcohol Screenings: 8-5,

Student Support Center.

Sports Night: Open pool &

racquetball courts, 7:30-11

Prizes!

Wednesday

Info booths: front campus.

Freshman Orientation

Alcohol Seminars.

Alcohol Screenings: Student

Support Center, 8-5.

Karaoke Night: Lion's Den,

8-Midnight, contests,

prizes, refreshments.

Thursday

Info Booths: front campus

Home football game: 7 p.m.

Drum Circle before game:

bring your bongos, drums,

or trash can to make some

noise for school spirit,

prizes for most creative

instrument, most spirit, and

loudest

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Sifford moves into new position at KGCS

BY NOPPADOL PAOTHONG
Director of Photography

Television production at Missouri Southern lost an experienced production manager when Courtney Hulsey, former student production manager and Southern graduate, resigned in August.

However, Justin Sifford, senior mass communications major, stepped into the position with a new creation in mind.

"It is an important position at the station and we try to stretch students to involve in television production," said Judy Stiles, KGCS general manager.

The student production manager

job not only involves the faculty and staff, but also coordinates with the station and helps day-to-day operation.

Stiles believes student involvement is a great example for other students with interest in that area.

Sifford always wanted to be involved in some area of broadcasting long before he came to the College. However, he once wanted to be in front of the camera with his own show.

He realized it would be a chal-

lenge to land a job in the spotlight in the real world. He now prefers behind the scenes, in production.

Outside the College, Sifford learned from his father, an executive producer for an outdoor channel, who provided lessons for shooting a videotape for the show.

Ward Bryant, assistant professor of communications, said the instructors supervise students while giving them authority to go through and make their own decisions. They provide students with leadership roles.

"We always look for an individual that has gone to several classes and preferably a junior, because by that time they have gone to learn

how to operate all the equipment," Bryant said.

The production manager checks and edits the program before it airs, including all the break tapes for the baseball games. While Sifford is only allowed to work seven hours per week at the station, he has something else in mind for his new show.

"I think a lot of students on campus don't watch the shows because they think those shows are boring, and I'd like to make a show more appealing for college students," he said.

He now works on his new project, "Video Digest," which first aired three years ago. The new "Video

Digest" will be a comedy-type show and targets a 15- to 20-year-old audience.

Future plans include Sifford's ultimate goal for his career — working for the film and movie industry.

"We have a very good department and good instructors here," Sifford said. "Mr. Ward Bryant, for example, is a good instructor and he has been a big influence on me."

He said Bryant provided the opportunity for creativity and guided him during his early experience.

"Every instructor here wants to help students get more involved in this kind of activity, and students shouldn't be afraid to ask them," Sifford said. □

SOUTHERN NEWS BRIEFS

Jones announces candidacy for attorney general

Republican nominee Sam Jones will announce his candidacy for Missouri attorney general at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the Webster Hall auditorium. If elected, Jones, of Lawrence County, will address the tobacco legislation and methamphetamine problem facing Missouri.

Cole, senior political science and communication major, said Jones is formally the prosecutor for Lawrence County. He is currently practicing as a private attorney. □

European language, culture topics of business seminar

A workshop focusing on understanding the significance of culture in business and recognizing the importance of spoken and unspoken language will be presented Tuesday.

The International Trade and Quality Center at the School of Business Administration will present the European Business Language and Culture Seminar from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Room 310 of Billingsly Student Center.

The role of culture in transacting business in European countries will be covered, including gift-giving, age, gender, work ethics, and technology. The seminar will begin with a European ethnic food buffet.

The cost to attend is \$10, payable to the International Trade and Quality Center in advance or at the door. For information, persons may contact Karen Bradshaw, instructor of business, at 625-9520. □

International Task Force reconvenes Wednesday

The International Task Force is meeting for the second time since its conception in 1994. On the fifth anniversary, to the day, of the task force, members are to evaluate the program's progress.

Chad Stebbins, director of the Institute of International Studies, said one-third of faculty members attended that meeting in support of forming the international studies program. After submitting the task force's proposal to the Coordinating Board for Higher Education (CBHE), the College was granted permission to carry out the overseas educational mission.

At the Sept. 22 meeting, Stebbins said the goal will be to reform the task force and review the goals and accomplishments with the various committees. A new report will be generated for the CBHE to demonstrate what has been accomplished.

The meeting will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22 in the Keystone Room of the Billingsly Student Center. □

Oxford students debrief with administration

Every year Missouri Southern sends students to two of the most prestigious universities in the world — Oxford and Cambridge in England. Over the summer, eight students and one faculty member went to Cambridge, and two students and one faculty member went to Oxford for summer learning sessions in various areas of English studies.

Dr. DeLores Honey, director of assessment and institutional research, said the students are meeting with administrators in a private feedback session to discuss what the program was like for the students Monday. Honey said in the past these sessions have been valuable tools in deciding how the program should be run in the future.

All Southern juniors with at least a 3.5 grade-point average are eligible for the study-abroad program, and scholarships are available through the College.

Southern has sent 223 students and faculty through the program since 1987, and will send more next summer. For information on how to apply for the program, persons may contact Honey at 625-9696, or Dr. Chad Stebbins, director of the Institute of International Studies, at 625-9736. □

Regents to discuss naming of black box theatre

The Missouri Southern Board of Regents will meet at 1 p.m. today in Room 314 of the Billingsly Student Center. Items on the agenda include the naming of the black box theatre and consideration of bids for construction of an addition to the Spiva Library. □

Schmidt welcomes new position

Bitterbaum says decision was tough

BY JEFF WELLS
Executive Editor

Installation of revolving office doors may prove necessary for Dr. Karl Schmidt, associate professor of history.

Schmidt said the number of students visiting his office has increased since he was named assistant director of the honors program.

"I don't interact with as many students on a day-to-day basis, but I do have more student traffic in my office," he said.

Schmidt said the increased flow also includes many more non-honors students.

Schmidt was promoted last spring, filling the vacancy created when Dr. Pat Kluthe, associate professor of theatre, was promoted to director.

Kluthe follows Dr. Lanny Ackiss, professor of English, who returned to a full-time appointment in the English department.

Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs, said a search committee chose Schmidt from four finalists, all of whom were Missouri Southern faculty. Dr. Julio Leon, College president, made the final decision.

"That made our job very difficult," Bitterbaum said. "But, in the end there was a consensus that we recommend to the president Karl Schmidt."

Bitterbaum said Schmidt's qualifications included his previous interest in the honors program.

"I'd often taught honors students in the past," Schmidt said. "I had enjoyed having honors students in class."

Last fall Schmidt taught an honors forum at Ackiss' request.

"I enjoyed that experience," he said.

Bitterbaum said in the end Schmidt stood out among the candidates.

"He was genuinely interested and he had a lot of ideas," Bitterbaum said.

Schmidt has been at Southern since 1994. He is currently serving as president of the Faculty Senate.

"He has done a number of notable things on campus," Bitterbaum said.

Schmidt first worked with Kluthe in the International Education Task Force curriculum committee in 1996.

"Our committee was the committee that created the international studies major," he said.

Schmidt said a variety of factors made the job appealing to him.

His teaching duties have been cut in half and his office has moved to the honors office on the first floor of Webster Hall.

Although it is early in the semester, Schmidt has an opinion about his new position.

"It's been very rewarding," he said. □



Student Senate Treasurer Stephen Bishop, senior economic finance major, and Vice President Jason "Chubs" Young, senior secondary education major, partake in the annual Student Senate kick-off picnic Wednesday at the Biology Pond.

Write-ins flood Senate election results

BY KELLY DENGEL
Managing Editor

A record 12 write-in votes kept those in Student Services busy tallying votes, calling students, and verifying grade-point averages and number of hours on Sept. 8.

Student Senate elections took place Sept. 7 and 8, with 196 Missouri Southern students voting. One junior senator position and three senior senator positions are still open, and should be filled at the first Senate meeting Wednesday.

Student Senate kicked off the 1999-2000 year with an annual picnic near the Biology Pond on Wednesday, Sept. 15 with all Senate members invited. Senators mingled, discussed future dealings of the Senate, and proposed some goals.

The first item of business addressed by President Patti Richardson and Vice President Jason "Chubs" Young concerned *The Chart*.

"We want a better relationship with *The Chart*," said Young, senior secondary education major. "We battle the image we project to the faculty and staff."

Richardson also addressed the concern to make the Senate more visible on campus and throughout the community through activities and fundraisers.

Sophomore Senator Ephamie "Flo" Jackson was concerned with low student morale. Jackson said the first week of classes there are many different activities to do, but they diminish after the first couple weeks.

"We need to keep these [activities] going into the fourth week of school," Jackson said. "Between classes, there are hardly any smiles on campus. People are dreading their classes."

Matt Davidson, freshman senator and theatre major, said the reason he joined was twofold. Davidson said his parents are both educators and he wants to ensure that the Senate allocates funds appropriately. He also wants to become an integral part of Southern.

"I want to make sure students get their money's worth," Davidson said.

The first items of business will be discussed at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday in the House of Lords Room in the Billingsly Student Center. To voice concerns to the Student Senate, persons may call 625-9751. □

Student Senate 1999-2000

Freshmen:

Cristy Bennett
Nathaniel Smith
Emily Drake
Kendall Bell
Jeremy Goins
Crystal Jeffries
Spring Lockwood
Catherine Singleton
Matt Davidson

Juniors:

Melissa Ruiz
Jessica Isenberger
Jeremy Sturgell
Jeff Wilson
Leanna Struzziery
Scott Smith
Shanda Logsdon
Stephen Holland
One open position

Sophomores:

Patti Richardson
John Mimsaugh
Tasha Jones
Ephamie Jackson
Brad Toler
Audrey McAuliff
Tyler Shields
Candace Hoyle
Leslie Franklin
Rachel Miller

Seniors:

Jason Young
Steven Bishop
Heather Hoyle
Rob Huffman
Jason Kiefer
Ben Beeler
Dirk Myers
Andre Ratliff
Chris Gilbert

Three open positions

Omicron Delta Kappa wins national award

BY CASSIE HOMBS
Staff Writer

Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK) Circle at Missouri Southern has finally received the mark of distinction they have long been waiting for.

The Golden Crest Circle of the national honor society at Southern has received the national Circle of Distinction for their good deeds and leadership. Nominated as a group for their contributions, they received the award for the 1998-99 school year.

As an additional honor, the Circle has discovered they are one of only three chapters in the nation chosen for this honor.

The significance of this rare award has made the circle proud, said Dr. Elaine Freeman, director of special programs and ODK faculty secretary.

"It's a real honor to work with Omicron Delta Kappa," she said. "They exemplify the best in college leadership."

Heidi Hathcock, senior early childhood education major and a member of ODK for a year, said

the award came as a surprise to most of the group.

"The Circle of Distinction has had to meet so much criteria to get this award," she said. "I knew we were very active, but I was surprised to know we are one of the three most active circles in the country."

"I'm very proud of this circle. I feel really honored to be in it."

The Circle was nominated specifically for some of their programs like the Emerging Leaders plan, held last semester. Local high school students were chosen by their counselors to attend a forum

composed of college students. During the panel, the floor was opened and communication between both groups of students was encouraged.

It's activities like this, keeping records of forms, and attending national conferences that caused Southern to be recognized in this prestigious way.

"This group unites people from all over the campus," Hathcock said. "It helps with your recognition."

Freeman said this award probably

TURN TO ODK, PAGE 8.

Where have all the mountians gone?

The Rocky Mountains, lakes and rivers shinning like diamonds, towering pine trees, and air that smells of freshly mowed grass and morning fog. These are not the images I see. I'm not in Northern Idaho anymore.

Upon moving to Missouri, I've discovered fireflies, locusts, humidity, and the occasional lump in the ground — I think Mis-sourians call it a mountain.

I can say I've enjoyed the first five weeks of school at Missouri Southern State College, but it's been quite a

change in landscape and people. Before I left Idaho, my friends asked me, "Why are you going to Missouri? There's nothing but hicks there!" I promptly informed them that those outside the Idaho boarder consider Idahoans hicks, and it shouldn't be much of a change. And it hasn't been.

Other than the strong southern and Midwestern accents I've run into, Missourians seem to be like Idahoans. They've all been really friendly and I've made so many friends.

I know this is where I should be, I had everything worked out with school, employment, and housing before I came here.

It's all been the hand of God at work in my life and there's no greater feeling than knowing that I'm in His will.

I transferred from North Idaho College (NIC), and I believe I'm the fourth student to transfer to Southern and work on *The Chart*. I'm sure many of you have seen the little Thai man toting a Nikon camera around campus; his name is Noppadol Paothong and he is also from NIC. We both have the Idaho license plates.

I really enjoy being able to say I'm from Idaho. In this part of the country, it's somewhat rare to find people from the Northwest.

I've noticed the absence of rugged outdoor clothing on Southern students. It seems that everyone in Idaho wears outdoor clothing — ready to break free on a hike between classes. I'll probably feel more in my element once the cold Northern-like weather rolls in. One weather pattern I am interested in seeing is a tornado. Although I don't want it to be serious, I would like to hide out in a basement while waiting out the storm.

Before coming to Southern, I spent this summer as an intern for the *Port Townsend Leader* in Port

Townsend, Wash. It's just a stone's throw from Seattle, and I was surrounded by the Puget Sound's beautiful Pacific waters, the Olympic and Cascade Mountains and the Hec National Rain Forest. I had a quaint summer in Port Townsend as a reporter at a weekly paper.

Unknown to many outside the Pacific Northwest, Port Townsend was hailed the New York of the West during the late 1800s. With its ideal location at the head of the Puget Sound and beautiful surroundings, Port Townsend was booming with industry, riches and fame. All it was missing was the railroad.

When the railroad came across the United States, Port Townsend was its stopping point.

The railroad ran out of money, and subsequently Seattle became the West's big city.

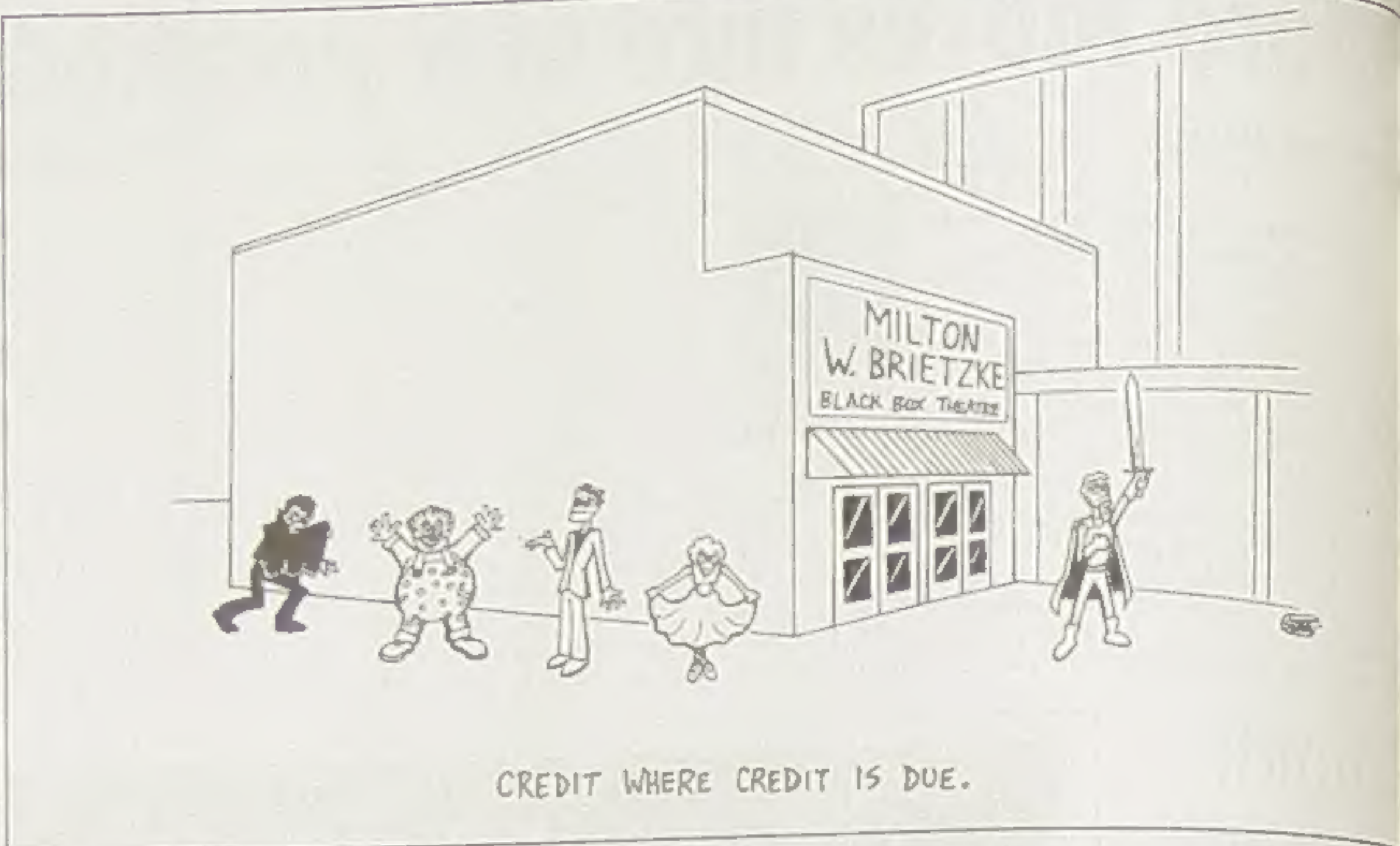
I know little about the Midwest, but I'm looking forward to exploring it.

I've heard Joplin has a great history with its mining industry, and the Ozark Mountains are supposed to be around here somewhere. I'm still looking.

For now, I'm content to enjoy the last of the summer heat and wait for a time when I can delve into all Missouri has to offer, both historically and topographically. □

EDITOR'S COLUMN

KELLY DENGEL
MANAGING EDITOR



Remember the people, not the wealth

Among the giants and legends of Missouri Southern and Joplin Junior College is Milton W. Brietzke, former director of theatre. And like many other men and women who taught generations of students, his name and legacy is quickly slipping quietly into the past without any celebration of his contributions to this institution. In 1956, Brietzke moved his wife, Trij, and his 1-year-old son to Joplin to serve on Joplin Junior College's 27-member faculty. For 31 years, he demonstrated to his students and to the College community the value of commitment and perseverance.

"Rise above it" was Brietzke's creed.

His first performance was held in the old gym of the old Joplin High School building at Fourth and Byers. Brietzke carefully arranged the seating and prepared for the performance while suffering from a severe attack of hay-fever. On opening night, a severe ice storm struck Joplin and over the three-night run, only 60 people braved the weather to see the show. The ice may have broken Brietzke's allergies, but it did not break his confidence.

Brietzke moved with the College to the Mission Hills Estate in 1966.

With Dr. Duane Hunt, associate professor of theatre, he shoveled manure, scraped fly specks, and transformed the estate's barn into the quaint and cozy Barn Theatre.

An *In Perspective* column Brietzke wrote on the occasion of his retirement on April 23, 1987, displayed the vitality and vibrancy he presented in

31 years of service. Brietzke now lives in Huntsville, Ala., but retains an emotional connection to Southern. He was devastated when the Barn Theatre was destroyed by fire during the 1990 Thanksgiving break.

"I spent some of my happiest years at Missouri Southern," he told *The Chart* after the loss.

How does the College remember years of dedication? Unfortunately the track record is mixed. Southern has plans to construct a hall of fame in Spiva Library to remember former faculty. Dr. Floyd Belk, former president of academic affairs, initiated the project with a \$50,000 contribution. Many of the College's founding fathers and former faculty have buildings named after them.

However, several other buildings have been named for individuals or corporations who have made significant financial contributions to the College. Two recent examples of this practice are the Dianne Mayes Student Life Center and the Leggett & Platt Athletic Center.

It is more than appropriate that the finest theatre the College has ever had be named after a man who helped design seating for the less-than-adequate facilities Southern Theatre has been forced to endure.

Today, the Board of Regents will attempt to name the new facility. We hope the Board will choose a name that reflects Missouri Southern's appreciation for Milton W. Brietzke and his contributions to helping to build this College into the institution it is today. □

Method of faculty raises needs a serious overhaul

At the start of the semester, I was pleased to hear that 40 faculty received salary adjustments. This positive action remedied obvious pay disparities.

It also served to help staff who could be demoralized by such oversights. College administrators used an index of other college salaries to compare with MSSC contracts.

This mechanism sorts out obvious differences without using a lot of judgment.

But for faculty with 15 or more years of service, the index provides a serious barrier. Several semesters ago I followed a faculty member through a frustrating process, in which the person presented evidence to show that within the department, a disparity had emerged among teach-

ing faculty. After a series of meetings with various administrators, the College president informed the faculty member by mail that a meeting at the top level (and with the governing board as well) would yield the same negative answer.

To those with long years of service, newer salaries are higher.

It is easy to consider new faculty salaries as an insult to those with years of experience here. Individual faculty will react to this perception in various ways, but faculty morale will be lowered no matter what other alternatives occur to the affected teacher.

Although evaluations done by both administration

and students are used to decide tenure and promotion, I would suggest that at some point administrators be more flexible and adjust some salaries upward even though the index or evaluation process might not yield the standard which is supposed to guide such decisions.

I assume some people on campus are paid the "big bucks" to make such decisions especially when the College will benefit, as will the individuals needing the boost.

I hope that in the future no administrative doors are closed to faculty attempting to redress such an issue.

I also suggest that the Faculty Welfare Committee review the appeals process and recommend making it more "user-friendly." Currently, the process is shaped to favor an administration that already has considerable advantage. □

Outraged student seeks punishment for plagiarism

The Chart and several Missouri Southern faculty and staff received the following letter via e-mail.

Staff and Faculty:

I apologize for this intrusion on your e-mail, but they are provided on the Internet and I feel this is one reason why. As a student, I feel it is disgraceful what former junior Jay Kocks did to the school.

I felt it was an act that should not remain unpunished, or at least untold. I took it upon myself to inform various members of the University of Kansas staff of the situation, including Chancellor Robert Hemenway, Kocks' cross country coach, KU's newspapers, Jay Kocks himself, and the entire English department, to name a few.

Please don't hold his actions as a reflection of the present student body. We are as outraged as you are.

I felt it necessary to inform you that something, however menial, had been done. [Following] is the letter I sent:

Ladies, Gentlemen, and the Guilty:

I am a Missouri Southern student who was outraged when I picked up my Friday edition of *The Chart*, the College's weekly newspaper. The headline read, "Plagiarism discovered in *Winged Lion*," which is Southern's annual creative arts magazine.

The culprit of this crime was former Missouri junior Jay Kocks, who said he wasn't involved in

extracurricular writing. Kocks' submission of the *Winged Lion*, *My Surmise*, was discovered to be an excerpt from Daniel Quinn's 1992 novel, *Ishmael*. When asked about the blatant theft, Kocks told the *Chart* reporter that he "never heard of that book," and went on to say:

"It was kind of inspired by an article I read. I think, my senior year in high school. Cause I wrote that, I think, as a paper in high school."

This is seen as a major violation of school policy at Southern, but Mr. Kocks has avoided repercussions by transferring to the University of Kansas. He is a senior now, enrolled in the architecture program, and runs cross country.

It is amazing that Jay Kocks has avoided any form of punishment and is still a student. If he were still a student at Southern, he would likely have been expelled.

I understand that by transferring, his unethical crime will keep him unscathed, but I strongly feel that this situation should be brought to the attention of all staff and faculty involved in his continuing education.

It makes me wonder if this is the first time he has done this, whether for class projects or other assignments, and if he will be continuing to steal words from others for the remainder of his collegiate career. If I were a faculty member at Kansas University, I would be concerned about these issues.

And to you, Mr. Kocks, I think it was pretty lame to

do this. Because of it, Southern is unable to submit the *Winged Lion* for another attempt at the National Pacemaker award. At least I found some comfort in seeing that you didn't finish well in the first cross country meet against Southern Illinois. I hope your failures haunt you, and that this act follows you for a long, long time.

I'd like to wish KU the best of luck in all their sports programs, and am sorry that this individual is connected with one of them. I hope the cross country team has the best of luck at the Bob Timmons Invitational, excluding Jay Kocks, who should become familiar with the team's mission statement. Maybe KU should reconsider his involvement in extracurricular activities, knowing his deceptive nature.

If you would like further information about the article, contact Missouri Southern at (417) 625-9311 or check their website online at <http://www.mssc.edu>.

Sincerely,

Jason Walsh,
Senior undecided major

P.S. For the sake of remaining free of the crime of prejudice, I would like to point out that the above information and quotes came from *The Chart*, Vol. 60, Issue No. 2, Friday, Sept. 10, 1999.

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Video gives students insight into Congress

Southern helps distribute video, targets civic involvement, voting

By ELIZABETH SCHURMAN
City News Editor

Students wanting to learn more about the United States Congress now have a better opportunity.

In conjunction with Missouri Southern, the Committee for Citizen Awareness has distributed a video to nearly 30,000 high school students in the 7th Congressional District of Missouri.

The video, "The U.S. Congress and You," features U.S. Rep. Roy Blunt (R-Mo.), award-winning newsman Howard K. Smith, and College President Julio Leon.

"It is very educational and it will go to lots of public institutions," said Dan Waddington, public information officer for Blunt's office. "The Congressman took a few minutes of his time to explain the role of his job."

Southern is one of more than 300 corporations that have distributed the video. Copies have been distributed to every Missouri public and private high school, and some libraries and chambers of commerce.

"The purpose of the video is to provide information to high school students about active participation in civic affairs," Leon said. "We have a very low rate of participation in voting on elections, and this is very educational."

The voter turnout has been low for the age group targeted in the video. The video hopes to boost numbers. From a survey by Tarrance Group and Lake, Soell, Perry, and Associates, less than one in five 18- to 24-year-olds voted in 1998.

Barbara Arnold, government teacher and Constitution Team sponsor at Joplin High School, believes this video promotes civic concern.

"I think it's a good idea for congressmen to have any contact with high school students," she said. "I am looking forward to using it [the video] in class."

Arnold recognizes reasons why students may be less apt to vote or be involved in the government.

"One reason voter turnout is lower would be because students go away to school and they either don't have time or are too involved in what they are doing that they don't register," she said. "There are other things they are concerned with, such as families and careers."

One reason younger individuals may not vote or get involved in their government may be because they don't think they make a significant difference.

Voter Turnout in Elections

Federal Election Commission, 1996

Age	%Registered	% Voted in U.S.
18 - 20	45.6	3.21
21 - 24	51.2	4.41
25 - 44	61.9	39.08
45 - 64	73.5	32.96
65 +	77.0	20.34

"I have talked on the phone to people in a campaign ranging from young to old and they all tend to think that their vote doesn't seem to make a difference, so they don't vote," Arnold said. "Many elections are won by a narrow margin. In Diamond, they just had an election that failed just by 17 votes, and that's all that is between winning and losing." □

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Golf Tournament benefit to be held at Loma Linda

A Super Wal-Mart/CMN Golf Tournament will be held Friday, Oct. 1.

There will be a four-person scramble as the main event with cash awards for first and second place in three flights. Tee time will be at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Other cash and merchandise awards including door prizes, a closest-to-the-pin contest, a Las Vegas contest, and more.

Registration forms are available at the 7th Street Wal-Mart Supercenter, or persons may call Loma Linda at (417) 782-3622.

Fees are \$40 per player, including cart and green fees.

All proceeds benefit CMN to help local children with medical needs. □

Dining on Memories scheduled for Oct. 2

Main Street Joplin Inc., announces Dining on Memories 1999, Dining at the Depot. The event will be held on from 7-11 p.m. on Oct. 2 at Historic Joplin Union Depot.

The evening will feature live music from Two for the Show and Jim Hunter and the Mellotones.

The reception will include Hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Tickets are \$20 and all proceeds will go to benefit preservation efforts of Union Depot. For more information, persons may call 624-1060. □

Car show rescheduled for Sunday due to rain

The Fifth Annual "Kids Are Our Future" Car Show to benefit the Children's Miracle Network has been rescheduled for Sunday, Sept. 19.

The event is sponsored by Victory Lane and will be held at the Wal-Mart Supercenter on West 7th Street, near Schifferdecker Park.

More than 20 entry classes are available and there are dash plaques for the first 75 entries. There will be more than \$500 in door prizes.

Registration will be from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The entry fee is \$12 and a the pre-entry fee is \$10. Judging will be at 1 p.m. and trophies will be awarded at 3 p.m. □

K.I.D.D.S. program set for children and families

Ozark Center, an affiliate of Freeman Health System, is currently enrolling children and adolescents ages 3-18 in its K.I.D.D.S. program.

Kids Impacted by Death or Divorce Situations is a support program to help children successfully deal with loss. K.I.D.D.S. provides a positive place of healing for children, adolescents, and their families who have experienced a death or divorce.

It encourages children to work through their emotions and process their losses in a safe and confidential support group environment. The program is free of charge. To enroll, persons may call (417) 781-3311. □

JLT season tickets on sale for 62nd season

Season tickets are on sale for the Joplin Little Theatre's 62nd season. Five varied plays and musicals are on tap for the season.

The shows include: *Cabaret*, *The Rainmaker*, *They're Playing Our Song*, *The Cemetery Club*, and *Fools*.

The season ticket is flexible so that it allows the member five admissions for one season, which can be used as one admission for each show or five for one show, or any other combination. In addition, members receive a newsletter and have the first opportunity to reserve seats for each show.

Those interested in purchasing season tickets may contact the box office at (417) 623-3638 or Tracy Erwin at 624-4150. □

LEGALIZING MARIJUANA?



ROB WOODALL/The Chart

Al Mintz, coordinator of the Cannabis Revival, helps hang the banner at kick off the second-annual event Saturday, Sept. 11. Around 200 people attended the revival.

Upward Bound helps prepare students for college education

USDE grant money covers all expenses

By KRISTY HAMBY
Staff Writer

With the Upward Bound program, Missouri Southern will offer many area high school students advantages to enhance their scholastic careers.

"The primary goal is to encourage students to seek higher education," said Nadine Schmidt, assistant to the vice president for academic affairs.

"Some students may be facing barriers in their lives, but we want them to know there are plenty of opportunities for them."

According to Schmidt, Upward Bound is a national program that has been implemented in schools all over the U.S. since the mid-1960s.

There has been a slight delay in starting the Upward Bound program at Southern and administrators are currently searching for a director. According to Schmidt, the search has been narrowed to three candidates and a decision is

expected to be announced in two weeks.

The Upward Bound program is like a Head Start program for high school students who want to prepare for college.

The students who would benefit from this program are those who normally would not be able to attend college for various reasons. For example, one may not have the financial backing at home or have anyone to inspire them to attend college.

Kelly Wilson, director of the Student Services Center, spent the summer months working with Schmidt on a campaign to obtain a four-year, \$800,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education (USDE). As a result, the program is free to all eligible students.

"I was thrilled to see Missouri Southern receive this grant," Wilson said. "We have so many students who can benefit from this program."

"I visited five targeted schools in the area, which are: Webb City, Joplin, Galena, East Newton and Carthage. The schools are very pleased that Southern is bringing this program to their schools."

All the high schools have offered

Southern their assistance to make this a successful program that provides advising, tutoring, mentoring, college and career preparation, and enrichment activities. Some activities planned for the summer months include field trips to Kansas City and Tulsa.

Students will also have the opportunity to attend various plays and concerts. They can participate in a four-week residential program at the College, focusing on academic and personal preparation for higher education.

Everything is paid for the student," Schmidt said. "The grant money takes care of all expenses."

However, this program is not just for upperclassmen. Students can enroll in the program as early as ninth grade and participate until graduation.

Although the main focus is those students who may have disadvantages keeping them out of college, this will help any student succeed in higher education programs.

According to Wilson, the program will enhance what schools are already trying to accomplish, as well as encourage students to realize higher education is a possibility for all students. □

Bloodmobiles to visit communities in search of donors

By ELIZABETH SCHURMAN
City News Editor

Persons wanting to donate blood will have several opportunities in the Joplin area. The Red Cross and the Community Blood Center will both have their bloodmobiles out in the community.

Monday, Sept. 20, the Community Blood Center of the Ozarks Blood mobile will be at First Baptist Church in Webb City from 2-6 p.m.

Andy Lynn, minister of education at First Baptist Church in Webb City, emphasizes community involvement with the blood drive.

"The blood drive serves a huge area and need for blood is huge," Lynn said. "We need to be involved and show the community that we love them. I would love to make this an annual event for them to come to our church."

Gayla Fewell, account and territory representative of the Joplin area American Red Cross, stresses the importance of giving blood.

"One donor can save as many as three lives, including burn and trauma victims and cancer patients," she said. "It takes about 400 units a day in this area to keep the hospitals stocked."

Roughly 10 percent of the U.S. population is eligible to donate blood and only 5 percent do so every year. About 40,000 units of blood are needed in the U.S. each day, and every three seconds someone needs a blood transfusion.

The bloodmobile will be visiting several area locations in the four states. It will be in the Joplin area on Sept. 29 at

Christ's Community United Methodist Church.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be visiting Missouri Southern from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sept. 28 at the Billingsly Student Center. Free T-shirts and refreshments will be provided afterwards to all donors.

"We are looking forward to a good turnout," Fewell said. "Students who come and donate need to eat before they come and we will also feed them after."

Potential donors have to be healthy, at least 17 years of age, and weigh at least 110 pounds. A person may donate blood every 56 days, plasma twice a week, and platelets 24 times a year.

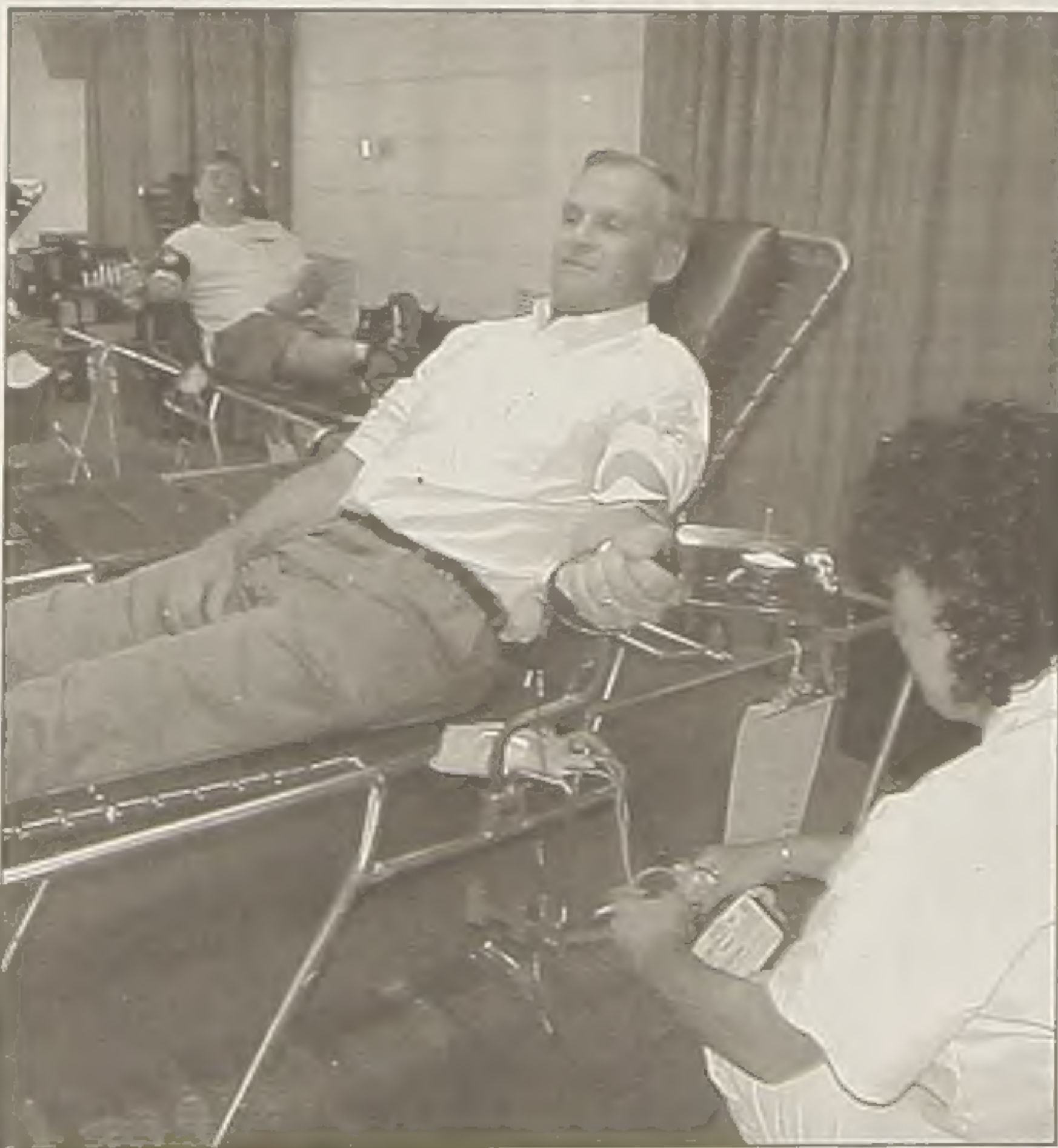
Donating blood has become safer through technology. "We use Red Cross Leuko Reduced blood products, which reduces transmittable white blood cells that carry such diseases as Hepatitis and Herpes," Fewell said.

There are many uses for the blood that is donated. It's separated into components, including red blood cells, platelets, and plasma.

Components may be used together or separately to treat a patient. For example, platelets are given to cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy, and plasma is given to hemophiliacs as a clotting factor.

Donating blood has also become safer because of testing measures. Twelve tests are done on every unit of blood donated, and nine of those are for infectious diseases.

Blood donors are also questioned about their medical history and any high-risk behavior. □



MATT MADURA/The Chart

Dowey Pennell, assistant principal at Lamar High School, takes time out to donate blood at the First Christian Church in Lamar. Donating has become safer and easier.

Diversions

THE CHART

Semester explores Latin American cinema

Seven Latino films help celebrate internationality

BY CHRIS ROBERTS
Diversions Editor

Four instructors are presenting a unique opportunity to Missouri Southern students in the form of a Latin American film series.

In an effort to help add to the emphasis on Latin America this semester, Larry Cebula, assistant professor of history; Amalia Coronel, assistant professor of communications; Rodolfo Schweitzer, associate professor of communications; and Ree Wells, associate professor of sociology, decided to show seven different movies that are related in some way to Latin America.

The movies will be shown at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday afternoons in the Mayes Student Life Center television lounge.

The first movie, *The Mission*, was shown last Thursday and had a small number of people in

attendance, which is normal, according to Dr. Cebula.

"There wasn't a lot of publicity about it," Wells said. "Hopefully more people will know about the next one."

The next movie, *Camila*, will be shown on Sept. 23.

"It's a hot one!" Cebula said. "It's more than a little sexy. We're hoping that will draw a larger crowd."

Cebula said he did something similar last semester with a Native American film series, which drew crowds of up to 100, usually half students and half from the community.

While each professor has a specific area of interest in these films, all hope the series will enrich Southern's Latin American Semester and provide an accessible introduction to Latin American history and culture for Southern students.

Cebula, whose interest in the films is mainly historical, said that the movies are a good way to reach students.

"Film is an accessible and expressive

medium," he said, "especially for people who have very little background in a given topic."

He said Latin American movies have a different set of conventions and traditions than mainstream Hollywood films.

In addition to the historical value of the films, each has an area of sociological importance.

Wells said that as a sociologist, her main interest in the films is that they represent certain social institutions.

Religion, family, politics, education, health care, and economy are all facets of the films.

The films' genres range from comedies to dramas to even some which include action.

"We tried to pick not only interesting and

educational films, but also exciting ones," Wells said.

All of the instructors involved with the film series hope that students take full advantage of this opportunity.

"We hope that students who go to one of the movies will follow up by taking advantage of

some of the other opportunities the College is providing," Cebula said.

"Who knows, a student might see one of our films, want to know more about Latin America, go to other Latin American Semester events, and end up studying abroad next year."

Southern has some great opportunities, and we want to point students in that direction." □

Latin American Film Series Schedule

Shown at 2:30 p.m. in the Mayes Student Life Center television lounge

<i>The Mission</i>	Sept. 9
<i>Camila</i>	Sept. 23
<i>The Old Gringo</i>	Oct. 7
<i>Missing</i>	Oct. 21
<i>Guantanamo</i>	Nov. 4
<i>Central Station</i>	Nov. 18
<i>El Norte</i>	Dec. 2



BY KRISTY HANCOCK
Staff Writer

The Independent Living Center will host the Art Auction for the Art Gallery at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, in the Creekside Building, 2650 E. 102nd St.

This will mark the first time the Center has hosted this event.

"We do auctions all over the

Battle



Costner, 'For Love of the Game' a sure box-office homer

KEVIN COSTNER
KELLY PRESTON



FOR LOVE OF THE GAME

In yet another role as a lover of baseball, Kevin Costner lights up the screen for a great end-of-the-summer flick in his latest movie *For Love of the Game*.

Though lacking some of the dynamic qualities of *Bull Durham* and *Field of Dreams*, *For Love of the Game* is a movie that hits home in more ways than one.

The scene opens on a broken-hearted Billy Chapel, played by Costner, who learns that not only has his team been sold, but that the new owners are going to trade him to the San Francisco Giants.

On top of that, his girlfriend of the last

five years, played by Kelly Preston, decides to call off the relationship to take a job that would move her to London.

Costner's character, an old pitcher who has been the Detroit Tigers through 11 seasons, next finds himself on the pitching mound in what could be his last game. Whether it's his last game for the Tigers, or for his career, is the underlying dilemma throughout the entirety of the film.

During the ensuing nine innings, Chapel considers the decisions that brought him to this milestone.

Part of what makes this movie good is the difference between the Costner of the

past and the Costner of now.

Over the years, he has developed into a mature and charming actor. Fortunately for him, this particular role fits that quality perfectly.

Chapel is a man who must work through a relationship that challenges his priorities. He's a man that loves the game and he must question again and again just how much.

As he progresses through the game, Costner's charm is portrayed through the many glimpses of his developing relationship with Jane (Preston).

This in turn, is complex excitement generated by the chance that Chapel might win the game. At age 40, that would be an accomplishment.

But this movie is not just a

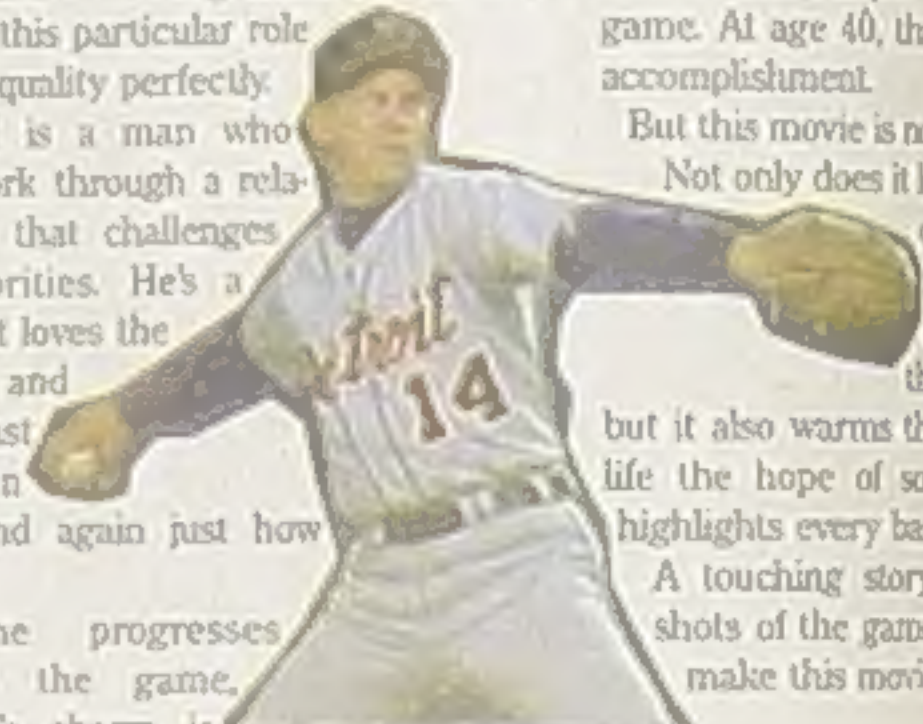
Not only does it keep you on the edge of your seat, but it also warms the heart with the hope of something that highlights every baseball player's dream.

A touching story line and some of the game and make this movie a



Chris Roberts
Diversions Editor

In Focus



Students serve amidst studies



Sgt. Jerry Harrison (left), sophomore criminal justice major, and Sgt. Ryan Aikins (right), sophomore elementary education major, pose for a picture in El Salvador. MP reserves from Joplin worked closely with El Salvadoran MPs, such as the one pictured above.

Service, GI Bill pay Reservists' tuition

BY CHRIS ROBERTS
Diversions Editor

In a period of history when nations are in turmoil and wars run rampant, a country's defenses are of utmost importance. The United States has a number of military branches that help ensure its defenses. Not only do each of these branches have active enlisted troops, but they also have an abundant supply of reserves.

It is not uncommon for many of these reservists to also be college students taking advantage of the benefits offered for their service. Missouri Southern is among those schools that have just such reserves.

Staff Sgt. Jay Rowley, commanding officer of Joplin's Military Police unit and a Missouri Southern graduate, says that approximately 70 percent of the unit is comprised of college students, with 40 percent of the unit enrolled at Southern.

"There are a number of reserve units in nearby towns, like Springfield or Parsons, that specialize in certain areas, as well as a medical unit located in Joplin," he said.

"Our particular unit, with 127 enlisted, is an MP unit, and though most enlisted are from the surrounding area, there are some that

commute from quite a ways in order to be in this particular unit."

Rowley said the camaraderie and professionalism that develops over the years creates a strong bond between the soldiers, so when some of them move, they make the effort to be in a particular unit.

"I even have an officer that commutes from Louisiana," he said.

Most students who enlist take full advantage of the GI Bill, which offers \$250 a month, in addition to various loans.

Each training year starts on Oct. 1 when reservists begin a rigorous physical program, similar to every other branch of the military.

Following the training, the reservists are required to attend drill sessions one weekend a month, as well as a two-week mission during the summer. Reservists also receive a stipend for these extended trips. This year's mission, called Operation New Horizons, was to El Salvador, where hurricane relief efforts are in progress.

Sgt. Ryan Aikins, also a sophomore elementary education major at Southern, was one of those who went to El Salvador from the Joplin unit.

"They've been sending reserves since February," he said. "They send us at a time. Our purpose was to offer protection, in a joint effort with Salvadoran MPs, for those who were involved with the hurricane relief."

Aikins said that while training in the

SPECIAL TO THE CHART



The Army Reserves have a long-standing reputation of helping students through college. Check out the story below to find out about a few students from Southern's own campus.

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Art sells for highest bid

Perry Berns, owner of the gallery used in Dallas, Texas. "We have done an auction at the Joplin Little Theatre." The gallery provides all the art. "I purchase the art for a lower rate from various artists," Berns said. The art ranges anywhere from statues to sculptures to paintings. A percentage of the proceeds goes to the hosting organization. Most of the organizations that participate

in the auction are non-profit. "It is a win-win situation for everyone involved," Berns said. "Everyone will benefit — the consumers, the organization, the gallery, and even the artist." Each auctioned item starts at approximately \$50 to \$200, about one-third or one-fourth lower than normal gallery prices. This year's auction includes approximately 200 works of art, custom-framed and ready to hang with certificates of authenticity and

information about each artist. "We have a custom-made frame shop in Dallas that frames all the art," Berns said. The evening begins with an exhibition at 6 p.m., followed by the auction at 7 p.m. Admission is a \$5 donation to help cover the expense of food, catalogs, and other costs associated with sponsoring the auction. "We are excited to be hosting this event," said Leatta Workman, executive director of the Independent Living Center. "We are

needing volunteers to help with setup and teardown." Workman said the organization will also hold an arts and crafts show at the end of October for college students, adults, or anyone wanting to market their crafts. Booth rental is \$20. For more information on the art auction or craft show, persons may call 659-8086.

Plumb Bands starts an 'Uprising' in Carthage

By ERIN SELLERS
Associate Editor

Plumb Bands and the Bible are the dominating force behind Carthage's "Uprising '99" tomorrow. This free music festival is showcasing the finalists of Powerhouse's Battle of the Bands.

But the main draw for Uprising is the rock band Plumb, a nationally known Christian band based in Nashville.

"In the Christian market on the national scale they're a big band," said John Petticrew, assistant director for the Powerhouse in Carthage, the organization holding the festival.

Before Plumb's headlining performance at 8:30 p.m., six finalists will compete in the Battle of the Bands for \$1,000 and the opportunity to open for Plumb. In the last month, Powerhouse has been narrowing down the Battle of the Bands competition to the six

"It's a good Christian environment for teenagers just to go and hang out, have a good time and listen to good music."

VERONICA STEPHENSON
Sophomore
Dental Hygiene Major

that will compete tomorrow. The bands are mainly local, but some also come from as far away as Tulsa and Springfield.

Petticrew said the goal of the festival is a community-wide outreach by area churches.

"During this event, young people get to see that church isn't boring and hopefully get them plugged into a local church," he said. "A lot of them that come

around don't participate in anything and they don't have that companionship that being involved in a church can bring."

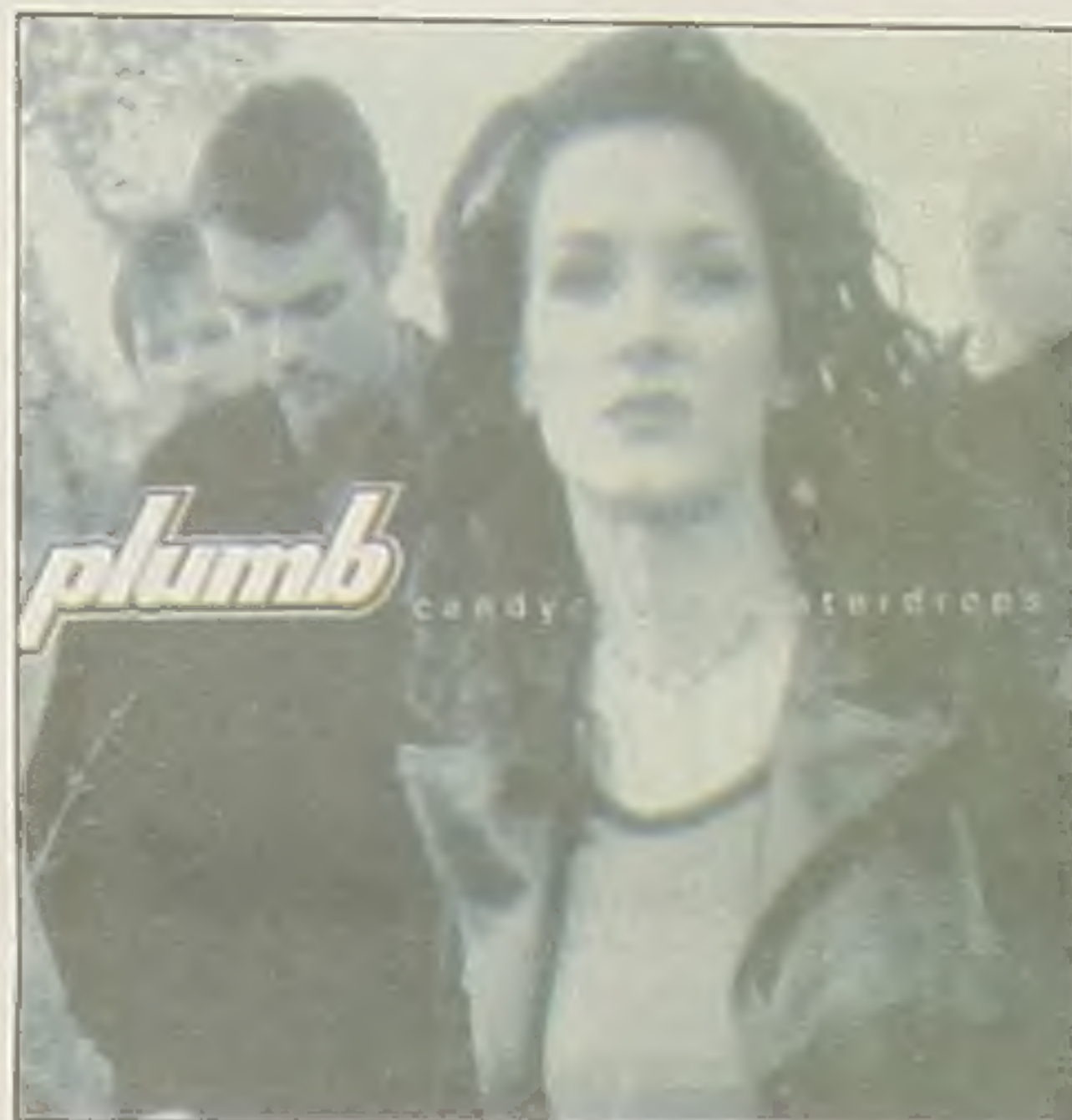
Several Missouri Southern students are among the 1,500 people expected at the concert.

Veronica Stephenson, sophomore dental hygiene major, says she's excited about the opportunity to see the various bands that will be playing at this year's Uprising.

"It's a good Christian environment for teenagers just to go and hang out, have a good time, and listen to good music," Stephenson said. "I've never heard any of these bands, and who knows, maybe one of these bands will be the next Plumb."

The Festival kicks off at noon tomorrow at Memorial Park in Carthage.

Activities available before and between bands will include inflatable games and various booths.



Christian rock band Plumb headlines at the 'Uprising '99' festival on Saturday at Memorial Park in Carthage. They take the stage at 8:30 p.m.

Class prepares students for grad school

Two-week rotation planned for faculty

By BRIAN WIRTH
Staff Writer

Asking the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) may cause students to worry, but now help is available through a continuing education class called Preparing for the GRE.

The GRE, a graduate school entrance examination, is much like the American Collegiate Test (ACT) that many students take in preparation for college.

The need for the examination preparation course came about because many Missouri Southern students were wanting to elevate their test scores, but didn't know the procedure in which to go about it actually doing it.

"The faculty got together and dis-

"Most people say that they're going to study, but never get around to it. With this class, it's like I get to study twice a week for eight weeks."

MARY BATSON
Senior Political Science Major

cussed how we could help these students," said Dr. Gwen Murdock, professor of psychology.

"Many students can't prepare for the test how they should and we felt bad for the hard-working students that just don't do well on it."

The class was developed to help improve students' GRE scores by examining their verbal, mathematical, and analytical abilities.

All of the above mentioned skills are tested on the general exam.

The class also looks at the special-

ized parts of the exam that some students have to take.

Whether a student takes the specialized section depends upon their major.

This semester is not the first time Southern has offered this course. Last spring, the class was held on Saturday afternoons.

Due to lack of interest and participation in the class, the faculty decided to make the class more like other classes offered at Southern.

In doing so the faculty made it so

more students may want to get involved.

"I think the class helps me to study better," said Mary Batson, senior political science major.

"Most people say that they are going to study, but never get around to it. With this class, it's like I get to study twice a week for eight weeks."

The teachers for the class change about every two weeks, this changing helps add diversity.

"The faculty volunteered their time to teach this class," said Dr. Kenneth Cole, assistant professor of psychology.

"We do not get paid to do this. We are just doing this to help the students."

The students, however, do have to pay a \$50 fee.

"If you are a student intending on going to graduate school, I recommend taking this class," Cole said.

"It could really help you on the test."

Alcohol Awareness plans dominate meeting

CAB's new agenda includes movie night, trivia contest

By CHRIS ROBERTS
Diversions Editor

The Campus Activities Board (CAB) met Monday for the second time this semester to discuss activities in the works.

The biggest item on the agenda was planning for Alcohol Awareness week, which begins Monday.

A trivia contest is among the planned activities. Winners will receive prizes, probably in the form of movie tickets. Distribution of trivia questionnaires takes place mid-morning on Monday.

At noon, there will be emergency services around campus with various demonstrations dealing with alcohol awareness.

At 7 p.m. in the Student Life Center, the movies Ed TV and



American History X are slated to be shown.

CAB scheduled an alcohol awareness party for all Southern Students from 8 p.m. to midnight on Wednesday on the

bottom floor of the Billingsly Student Center.

Other plans for the week are in progress, but nothing is definite.

Planning for Homecoming week was another item on the CAB agenda. Though still in the preliminary stages, members have planned a number of events. A skydiving simulator, for example, will be one of the many attractions located around campus. There are also rumors of a psychic or aura reader, and a "techno" party.

On the music scene, a number of bands are on the list of contacts for concerts on campus, yet nothing has been decided. Some small concerts are scheduled, as well as some period performers like 19th century musicians.

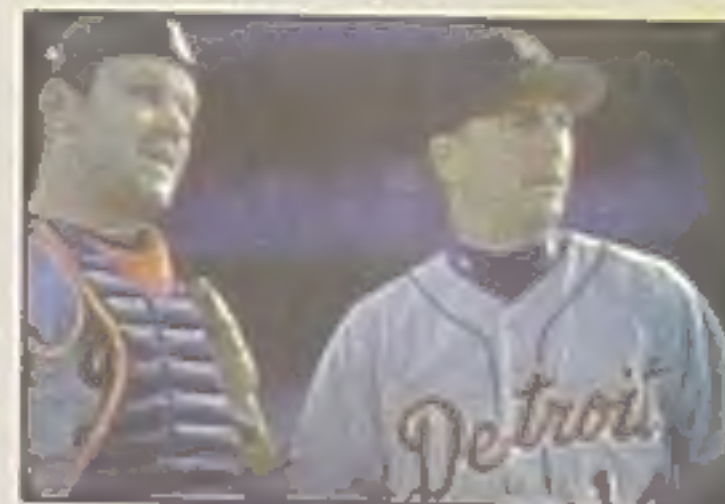
Other events and activities are in the works, and students may watch the campus calendar for coming CAB attractions.

Area Events

If your organization has an event you would like publicized, call Chris Roberts at 625-9311.



Monday marks the beginning of Alcohol Awareness Week on the Missouri Southern Campus. Events include a trivia game replete with prizes, a movie night, and an Alcohol Awareness party.



Today
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For Love of the Game & Blue Streak open in box offices

8 p.m.- 2:30 a.m.-
Sober Driver Program

Saturday
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Cross Country hosts Southern Stampede

1 p.m.-

Women's and men's soccer @ Rockhurst

6 p.m.-
Football @ Washburn

8 p.m.- 2:30 a.m.-
Sober Driver Program

Sunday
19

Yom Kippur begins at sunset

1 p.m.-

Women's soccer @ Northwest MO

CAB
CAMPUS ACTIVITIES BOARD

Monday
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MSSC Alcohol Awareness Week
Trivia contest, Sober Driver Program,
CAB movie night, SLC

10 a.m.- 2 p.m.-

Police/Fire/EMT/Highway Patrol
demonstrations, front campus

12:00 p.m.-

CAB meeting, BSC 310. Everyone
welcome and lunch is provided

Tuesday
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Orientation Alcohol Seminar, Open Gym

11:30 a.m.- 2 p.m.-

European Language & Culture Seminar,
BSC 310. \$10

3 p.m.-

Women's and Men's soccer @ SWB

7:30 p.m.-

Beth Jone's senior vocal recital, Webster
Hall Auditorium

Wednesday
22

11 a.m.- 1 p.m.-

Alcohol 101 demo, Lion's Den; Trivia
Contest

6 p.m.- 12 a.m.-

Alcohol 101 Interactive CDROM, SLC

7 p.m.-

Volleyball @ CMSU



Thursday
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First Day of Fall

4 p.m.-

Learning Center sponsors Japanese class.
Open and free to all.

6 p.m.- 8 p.m.-

Student Teaching Orientation/Reception,
BSC 3rd floor

7 p.m.-

Football vs. Emporia State. Televised as
part of the MetroSports network

8 p.m.- 2:30 a.m.-

Sober Driver Program, time and place to
be announced

TRADE: Center provides foreign contacts

From Page 1

"There are a number of World Trade Centers throughout the world, and each one has a specialty. Ours, as with St. Louis, is in seminars and trade missions."

"In accordance with that, Southern's Center will be holding a European Business, Language, and Culture seminar from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday in Room 310 of the Billingsly Student Center."

"This seminar is part of a series of three," Marion said. "The next one will be in October and will emphasize Latin American business."

"In addition to seminars, the Center makes free referrals."

"We have a lot of local businesses that call seeking out some type of referral," Marion said. "We do our best to help local industries internationally."

"The Center refers individuals to contacts in other countries. One such person is Bo Strombom."

"He is actually an adjunct professor to the Center," Bradberry said. "He's been president of three European companies as well as head manager of a number of others. He currently is retired and

"The culture clash is good for students."

WILLIAM BRADBERRY
Associate Professor of Business

lives in Switzerland."

One of the international trips will be to Geneva, where students will meet up with Strombom in an effort to get some international hands-on experience.

"The culture clash is good for students," Bradberry said. "Every place is unique, and dealing with that is an important experience for students."

Bradberry stressed the importance of any business student becoming at least familiar with some international affairs since 85 percent of American businesses are affected by foreign business.

"Something that I've always taught my students is that on the other side of the mountain there is a different world," he said. "Try to look at things from their side of the mountain." □

GO LIONS!



Matt Penner and Tony Zito, senior business majors, cheer on the Missouri Southern Lions at Saturday's game against Northeastern Oklahoma State University.

RUSSIANS: Group pleased with tour

From Page 1

Rotary. During their planned itinerary, they visited a local farm and the Butterball Turkey Co. in Carthage to understand agriculture and industrial planning in the States. An interview with the group's members aired on KODE-TV 12 Tuesday.

Tabiana Karmanova, director of the International Language Resource Center, organized the group's campus tour. Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs, had lunch with the group and the campus deans following the tour.

Karmanova said the group meets with the mayor of Carthage today to explore city government. They will return to Russia on Sunday.

The Intermediate Russian class and Beginning Russian class conducted interviews with the Russian dignitaries. Dr. Pedro Talavera-Ibarra, assistant professor of communications and Spanish and Russian instruction, said students of the Intermediate Russian class will write an essay on the interview in Russian.

"They spoke about themselves and what their impressions are of the United States," he said. "They had a wonderful time [speaking in the class]."

Through the group's interpreter, the visitors conveyed their pleasure with their time at Southern, and said they think the United States is a well-organized culture.

"I feel they had a very fruitful time here," Karmanova said. □

ODK: Faculty nominates members

From Page 3

"I'm really proud this honor was bestowed upon MSSC," she said. "I have no reason why this wouldn't happen again."

The Southern Circle, which inducts new members each fall, typically consists of about 40 to 50 members. Faculty nominate students based on their grade-point average and leadership experience.

ODK, a national honor society extending nationwide with 258 chapters, bases its membership on scholarship and leadership. □

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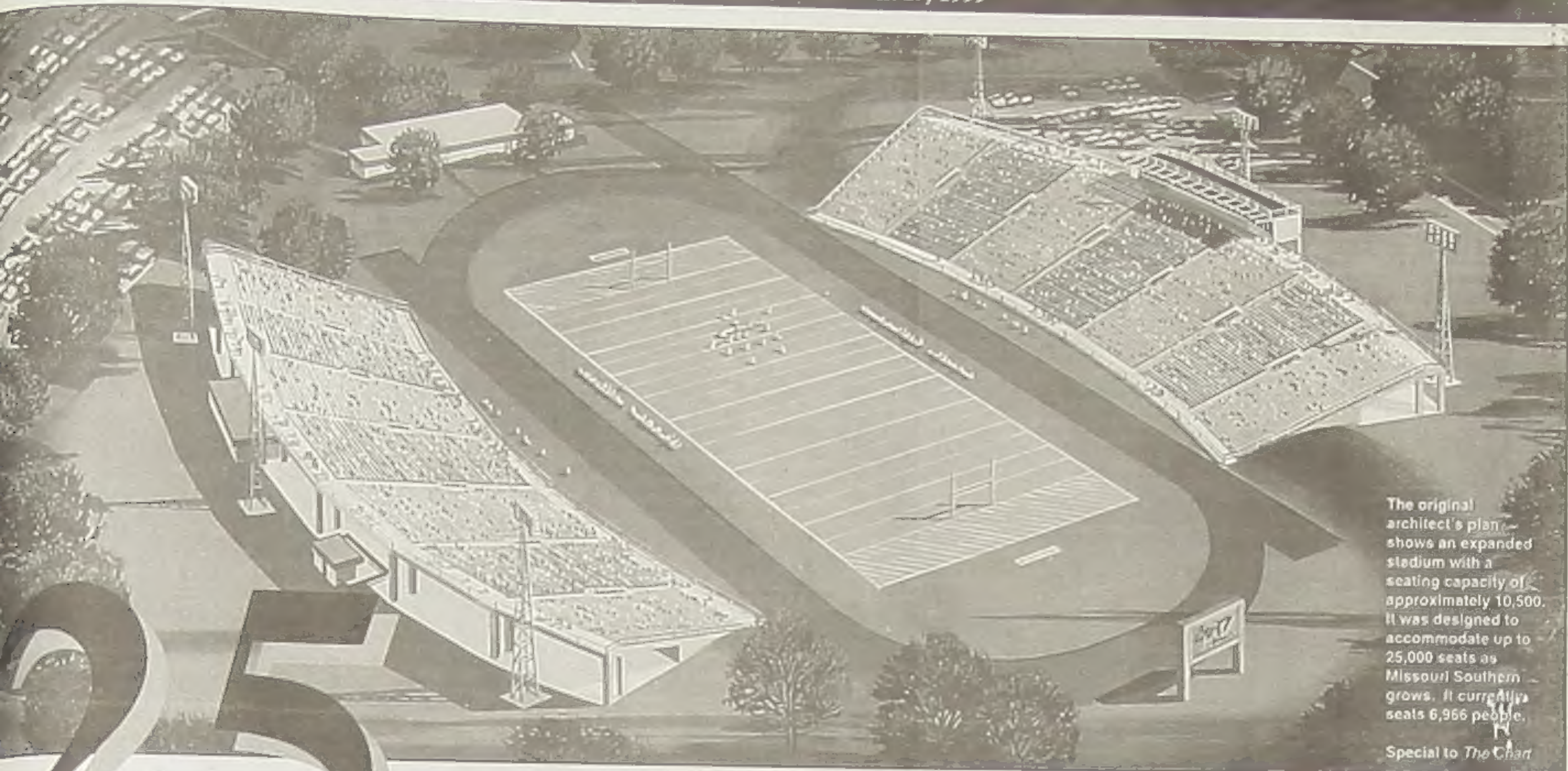
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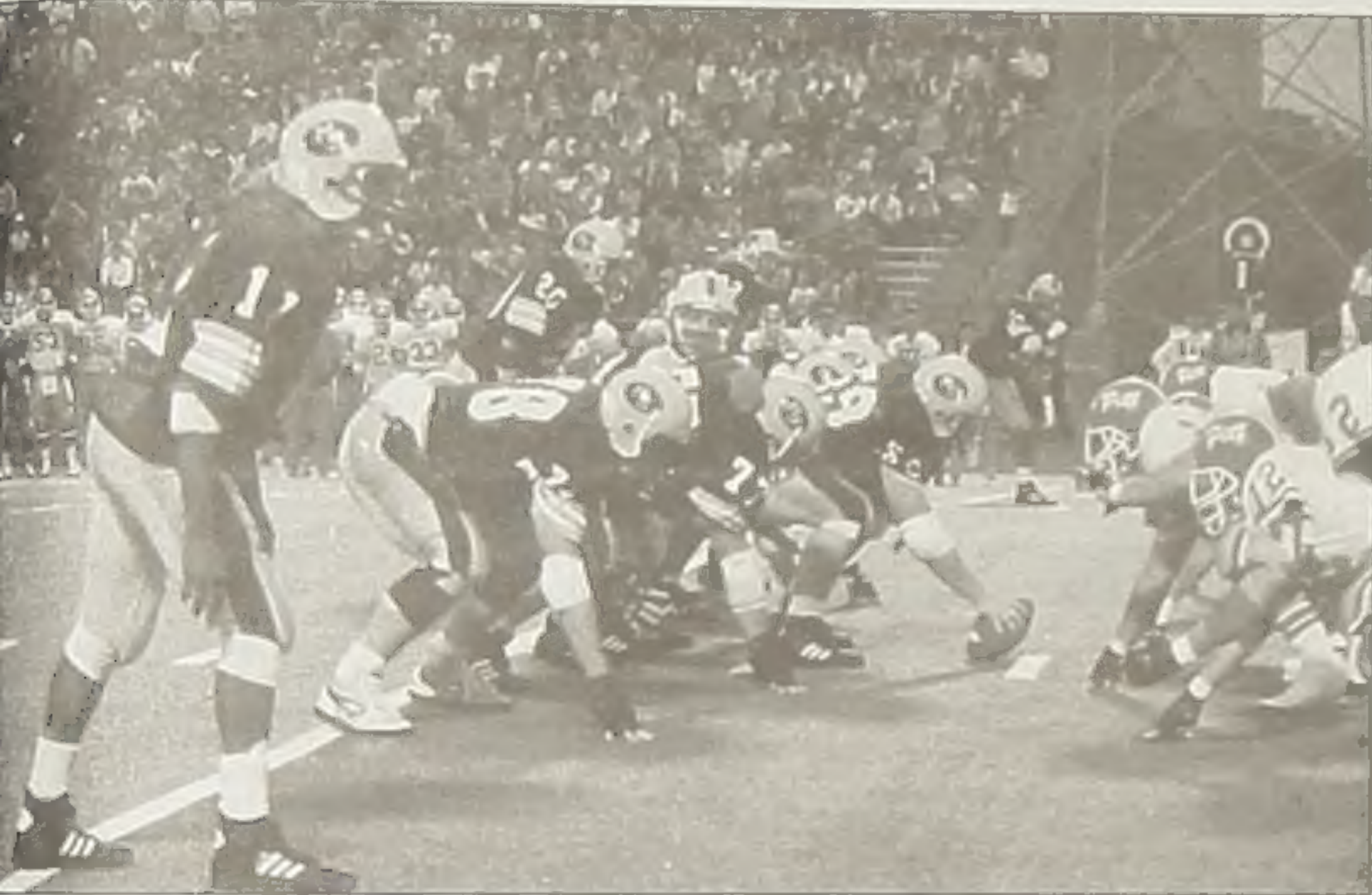




The original architect's plan shows an expanded stadium with a seating capacity of approximately 10,500. It was designed to accommodate up to 25,000 seats as Missouri Southern grows. It currently seats 6,966 people.

Special to The Chart

25 Years in Fred G. Hughes



For the years Missouri Southern has faced down their rival, Pittsburg State University, numerous times in the stadium. The win against them was in the 1993 Miner's Bowl game.

Special to The Chart

Stadium hits silver anniversary

By VINCE SWEENEY
Sports Editor

Twenty-five years sometimes proves to have more significance when one looks deeper into its meaning, rather than just knowing the number is there.

It is the case with the Fred G. Hughes Stadium, which celebrated its 25-year anniversary with Southern's home-opener Friday. Jim Frazier, men's athletic director and head football coach at

Missouri Southern in 1971-1985, starts at the beginning. "Well, I guess it started back in 1972, when we took a trip to Vegas," he said. "The football team and the band went. They had a nice time with Astro Turf."

Frazier said it was in the interest of Dr. Billingsly, Southern's first vice president, to have a football stadium on campus. The main construction was in 1974. The first football game was played at the stadium on Sept. 8, 1975, marking the end to the Lions playing their football games at Joplin's Junge Field. Pittsburg State came to town as the Lions in a 20-13 battle. Lantz, head football coach at Southern from 1989 to 1997, recalled

when new Astro Turf was put on the field in 1988. He thinks one of the best football seasons was in 1993 when the Lions went to the national playoffs. This team included Rod Smith, who is now a wide receiver for the Denver Broncos, and two other athletes who went on to play in the National Football League.

"That was the single most significant year in the history of that stadium," Lantz said.

Lantz also pointed out a disadvantage to the stadium. He said there is not a stadium in the country where more fans are further from the field.

"Not only is there a track, but there is a black-top area," he said. "This makes it hard for a coach to get the crowd involved. It was really a challenge for me as a coach to bring in an offense."

"We are in a conference with teams who have had football fields for 100 years. That shows how far Southern still has to go."

Lantz stepped down as head football coach during the 1997 season.

Sue Billingsly, widow of the late Leon Billingsly, Rebekah Hughes, widow of the late Fred G. Hughes, and Frazier were part of a program ceremony Saturday night to honor Hughes Stadium's.

"It's all kind of nostalgic now," Frazier said. "We were a pretty close group when they built the stadium back then. It was nice to see Mrs. Hughes and Mrs.

Billingsly. They seemed pleased to be a part of it and I was glad to be a part of it."

Rebekah Hughes remembered her husband was always interested in sports and the College and wanted to have a nice stadium. She thought the fans and students enjoyed Saturday night and she believes the (Fred G. Hughes) would be proud. She noted that he worked hard for the Astro Turf and wanted the College to fulfill the students' needs.

Hughes was happy to be a part of the ceremony on Saturday.

"It certainly went 150 percent down the field with Fred," she said. "I thought it was extremely nice and I liked the '25th' on the front of the field. It was just extremely nice."

Greg Gregory, head football coach, believes this is a unique stadium. He believes the Astro Turf will need to be replaced eventually, but he does want to stay with Astro Turf.

Gregory also notes that there are places in the stadium which still aren't finished and should be completed.

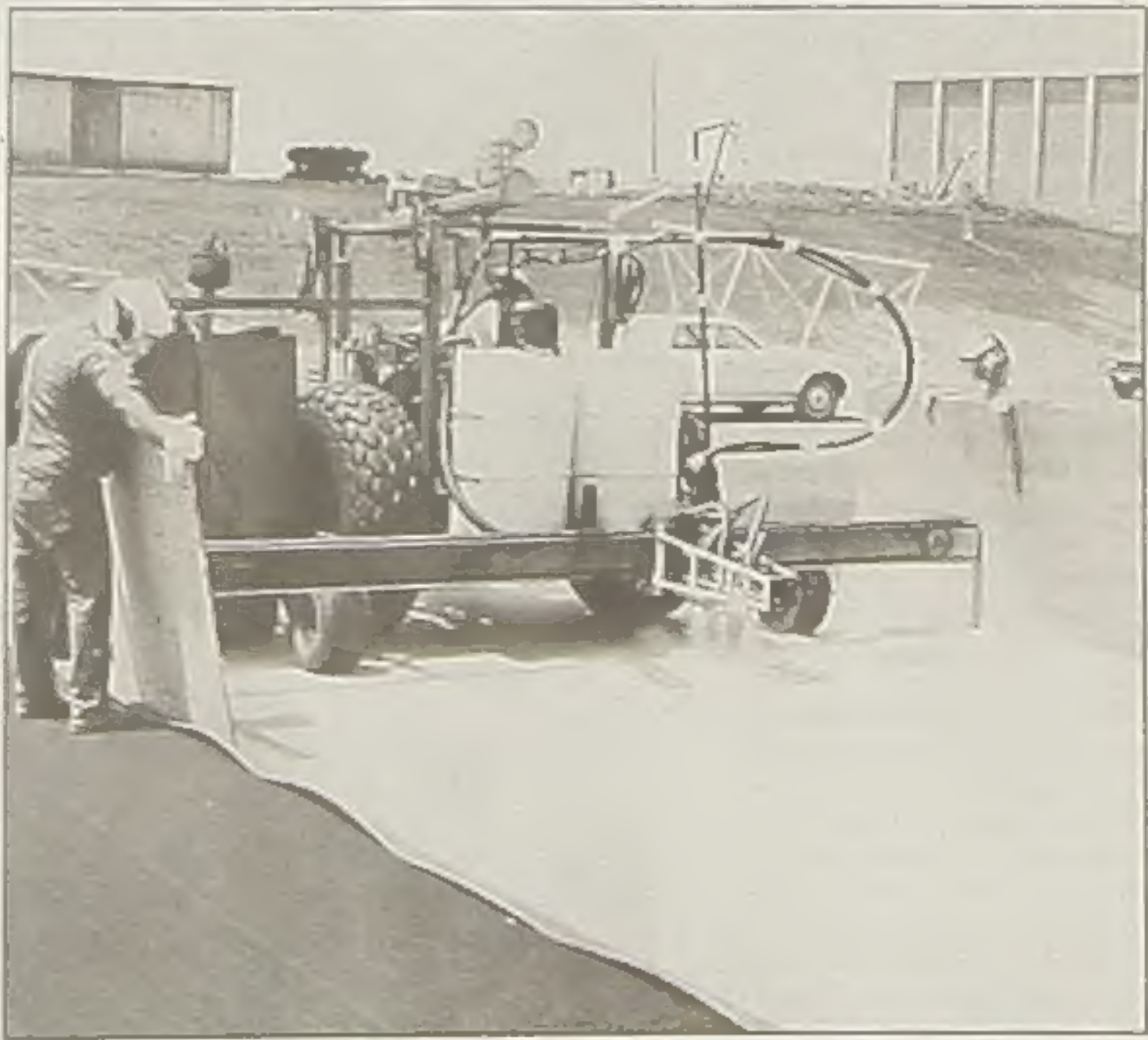
"It would be nice to complete the stadium 25 years later," he said. "This is a unique stadium for Division II in this part of the country, and it's mainly because of the artificial turf."

"I really felt Saturday night offered as close to a group effort, a positive experience, and fun evening as we've had in a long time," Frazier said. "I thought the band did a good job, the yellers, and cheerleaders. The football team was outstanding and the fans' support of what coach Gregory and his staff are trying to do. I really walked away with a great feeling." □



Workmen prepare the turf for the stadium floor during the finishing phases of its construction in 1974.

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Construction work on the field in 1974 prepares it for future games, graduations, outdoor concerts, and other celebrations.

Special to The Chart

Runners will shine tomorrow

Swift Stampede brings out quality

Saturday night was quite a night. No, it wasn't a night on the town. It was a night for a great football game that saw Missouri Southern take a convincing win over Northeastern State University.

The crowd could not have been better. I want to thank everyone who took my advice from my column last week and went out and saw a winner.

My congratulations to the Lions, who have moved to 2-0 on the season, and best of luck tomorrow on the road against Washburn. So, since the football team will not be playing at home this week, I guess this leaves us with no sporting events to attend, correct? Wrong!

An event takes place tomorrow on campus that promises to have plenty of action.

If you are a big sports fan, like me, I recommend you try the Southern Stampede.

Now that you have a puzzled look on your face, asking yourself what the heck the Southern Stampede is, I won't keep you in suspense any longer. The Southern Stampede is cross country. Yes, cross country. Am I asking you to come to a cross country meet? Yes, I am.

Cross Country is one of those unique sports with some of the finest athletes you will ever find. Of course, these are the kind of athletes who run maybe 100 miles a week. It's my belief that cross country runners often don't get the recognition they deserve, and this is why I am asking you to come out and support both the men's and women's cross country teams.

Now, I know it's not a football game, but it can be just as exciting if you go there with a good attitude. Both the men and women have had great seasons thus far in their first two meets. Come see what kind of endurance some of the Southern runners have.

Larry Boswell has had two great races. He won the Bob Laptad Invitational at Southern two weeks ago, and had a good showing at the University of Kansas last weekend.

I was also happy to find, after logging on to Southern's athletic web page the other day, that he earned honors as MIAA Athlete of the Week. What's even better, Boswell is only one of many named on this great list of runners. There is also Jake Wells, Chris Morris, and the list goes on.

The women have a great group of runners as well.

There is Margaret Mldovic, who won the Bob Laptad Invitational. Other consistent runners include Ashleigh Wendleton and Chasity Hank. Of course there are more, but I can't name them all. In my opinion though, anyone who can go out and run mile after mile is a winner.

The competition promises an intense race, making it even more fun.

Some of the best runners are coming on Saturday. I can tell you from experience, you can get pretty much the whole view of the race from sitting in the bleachers at Hughes Stadium, and it's something else.

As I asked everyone last week, I am doing it again. Laugh if you want, but I ask everyone to come to Southern Stampede on Saturday and see some of the best runners a race has to offer. □

SPORTS COLUMN

VINCE SWEENEY
SPORTS EDITOR



Lions shock Redmen in home opener

By RUSSELL DAKE
Staff Writer

"Two out of three ain't bad," but the goal is three.

Before the 1999 season began, Missouri Southern head coach Greg Gregory set seven goals for the Lions. The first of those goals, win the three openers — the season opener, the home opener, and the conference opener.

Saturday, Southern successfully completed the second of the three, dominating the Northeastern State University (NSU) Redmen of Oklahoma in their home opener, 28-7.

"That's our first goal, to win the three openers," Gregory said, "so we're two-thirds of the way there, and that's what I told them afterwards."

"You've got three important games," he said. "We had to get off to a fast start at Monticello by winning that game. Then, I thought it was really important to win our first ball game at home to get the school and the fans behind us. This week is probably the most important of the three because it's the conference opener."

In a contest high on emotion, the defense

set the tone for the evening against NSU. Junior defensive end Kevin LaRue and sophomore defensive tackle L'Quincy Pryor led a defensive unit that smothered the Redmen's ground attack to only 79 yards on 34 carries. LaRue and Pryor each logged three stops behind the line of scrimmage. The defense forced NSU into five turnovers — three fumbles and two interceptions — both pass thefts coming from sophomore free safety Jeremy Walker.

"I thought we played with great emotion, we played very physical, and we played fast," Gregory said. "I talk to them all the time, both sides of the ball, when you play fast and physical, at least our football team, we're a very good football team."

"There is a genuine dislike for NSU on our football team. You combine that with the emotion that was running high in that game, and it showed that we wanted that game very, very badly. It was probably the most emotional our football team has

been since I've been here."

Tomorrow, the Lions travel to Topeka, Kan., to open MIAA-conference play against the Washburn University Ichabods, who are coming off a 17-14 victory

in their home opener against Fort Hays State. Last year, the Ichabods stunned the Lions 49-37 in Joplin, scoring 14 points in the last 1:10 of the game.

"I feel pretty good about our team," said Tony DeMeo, Washburn head coach. "Right now, we're 2-0 after the game with Fort Hays, and we're healthy. This is the first time we've started the season 2-0 since 1988."

First team all-MIAA wide receiver Marc Nardella leads the Ichabods' offense. Last season, the 6-foot-4, 205-pound Nardella burned Southern for 221 yards on 10 receptions and three touchdowns. The last score proved the game winner, Nardella's second 59-yard touchdown grab with 44 seconds remaining recaptured the lead for Washburn, only seconds after the Lions had

taken the lead on then-sophomore Lewandowski's third field goal of the game. "Marc has good speed, good hands, and he has good hands," DeMeo said. "I think the best quality he has is his ethic. He is a hard worker."

"For a team we matched-up well with, they destroyed us," Gregory said. "Their offense just ate us alive."

"The wide receiver [Nardella] is the best wide receiver in the conference on offense, they're also really good on defense, Brandon Ranier."

Last year the two teams combined for 1,000 yards of total offense and 86 points. Nardella, a sophomore, spearheaded the ground assault, leading the team with 17 rushing attempts for 364 yards and three scoring strikes. The most of their damage on the ground was done by Nardella, who rushed for 54 yards on 17 attempts.

"They're a triple-option offense," said Gregory. "They'll look similar to our offense. Although they will be more, I think they rely on the pass more than we do."

The contest kicks-off at 6 p.m. □

Scoreboard

	1	2	3	4	
Northeastern State	0	7	0	0	7
Missouri Southern	0	14	14	0	28

MSSC Joey Ballard 52 yd punt return
 NSU Jamar Sutton 74 yd pass
 MSSC Joey Ballard 1 yd run
 MSSC Seth McKinnzie 6 yd run
 MSSC Antonio Whitney 14 yd run



Linebacker Ennis Robinson (54) and defensive end Reggie Smith (50) work against Northeastern's Josh McMillan (66) in the first quarter.



Running back Joey Ballard returns a punt 52 yards for Southern's first touchdown Saturday night.

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Kerry
(5), Ennis
Robinson
and L'Quincy
Pryor (14)
in gang
tackling
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Compos scores clincher

soccer team comes
p big in overtime

By GARY SHELBY
Staff Writer

Two up and two down. The hard
over the past two games, the
Missouri Southern men's soccer
team fought and clawed its way to
consecutive shutout victories.
The Lions defeated William
Wells College (WJC) 1-0 during
overtime in a constant rainfall
Friday night at Bodon Field.
Coming off a physical overtime
victory against rival Northeastern
State (Okla) University (NSU),
Southern faced a letdown against
WJC, a team that gave the Lions a
scout time for 99 minutes.
No one found the inclement
weather to blame, and no one
looked at the NSU game as a rea-
son for their performance.
"The ball was faster and skipping
on the wet grass," said senior mid-
fielder Tony Zito.
"We also had our injuries and we
were tired, but it was no excuse."

The Lions controlled the ball for
the majority of the match, and
they held WJC to two shots on
goal.

Just as he did in the NSU game,
senior forward Marcio Compos
rocketed the game-winning goal
into the net in the 99th minute. Zito
was credited with the assist.

A rain-soaked Lion team then
moved off the field somberly, as if
the critical goal were scored
against them.

Southern head coach Geoff Van
Deusen said the team's play was
an unsatisfactory win.

He said the performance soured
the victory.

"We didn't do the things that we
needed to do to be successful
tonight," Van Deusen said. "Over
time, we did take care of busi-
ness."

Southern (3-1-0) defeated
Southwestern Oklahoma State
University (3-2-0) 1-0 on Sunday.
The score and the weather was a
mirror image of the previous
match.

However, the Lions' overall play
was improved from the WJC
game.

"We still weren't at the top of
our game, said sophomore for-
ward Aubrey Martin. "We have to
start improving our perfor-
mance."

It only took only 90 minutes for
the Lions to finish off
Southwestern.

Senior forward Shane Delmez
scored the decisive goal in the
56th minute off an assist from
Martin.

Senior goalkeeper Ben Butler
stopped three shots on goal and
recorded his second consecutive
shutout.

Physical matches have been the
case all season, and Sunday was
no different.

The two teams combined for a
total of 54 fouls. Van Deusen said
he is glad his team is playing with
intensity.

After Friday's match, Van
Deusen greeted his players in the
locker room with a lot of talking.
Fewer words were necessary
Sunday.

"It's good when I don't have to
talk to them after the game," Van
Deusen said. "It means that they
did all right."

Womens soccer comes closer to first victory

By GARY SHELBY
Staff Writer

They're getting closer.

On Sunday, the Missouri
Southern women's soccer team
came within three minutes of win-
ning its first game in a 1-2 loss to
Southwest Oklahoma State
University at Bodon Field.

They didn't record the win, but
the Lady Lions (0-4-0), reached
yet another landmark when they
scored the team's first-ever goal.
Freshman forward Melissa
Stacy took a pass from sopho-
more midfielder Jen Lawrence
and placed the ball into the net.
The goal gave Southern a 1-0
first-half lead.

Three minutes later, Southwest
(1-3-0) promptly answered with
the game's final two goals in a
span of three minutes to give the
Lady Lions their fourth consecu-
tive loss.

"I think we're coming together

as a team," said freshman defend-
er Sara Tromburg. "We're com-
municating better, and we're
starting to pass, which led to our
first goal."

This time around it was the
Lady Lions' team defense that
kept the game within reach.
Southwest took 12 shots the
entire game, and freshman goal-
keeper Jennifer Carter stopped 10
of them.

Playing a game so close raised
the team's collective confidence.
Geoff Van Deusen, Southern
head coach, was pleased with his
team's improving play, but not
content with another defeat.

"We have to learn how to win,"
Van Deusen said. "When you
have an experienced team, you
know how to win."

The Lady Lions will have to gain
their experience on a trial-by-fire
basis as they will play five games
in two weeks, limiting their prac-
tice time.

MIAA NEWS BRIEFS

Southern captures Winfield tournament by five strokes

In its season debut, Missouri
Southern's golf team had the winning
combination on their scorecards.

The Lions' B-Team captured first
place in the 18-hole Southwestern
College Fall Invitational Sept. 8 at the
Quail Ridge Golf Course in Winfield,
Kan.

Junior Mike Black, freshman Billy
Cartwright, junior Adam Griffin, fresh-
man Jarod Meyer, and sophomore
Ryan Coppess produced a B-Team
total of 294, besting second place
Oklahoma Christian College by five
strokes.

Southern's A-Team carded 304 and
finished fifth in the field of 21 teams.

Southern will tee off again Monday
and Tuesday at the University of
Missouri-Rolla Fall Classic at the
Piney Valley Golf Club, Fort Leonard
Wood.

The tournament is scheduled for 36
holes. □

Central Oklahoma stuns Emporia in home opener

Dropping to 1-1 this football sea-
son, Emporia State sustained a loss last
Saturday in its home opener. Emporia,
which played host to Central
Oklahoma, fell behind 7-0 in the first
quarter after a two-yard touchdown run
by Reggie Donner.

The second quarter saw Lester
McCoy of Emporia receive a two-yard
pass from Joe Jacobs to even things at
7-7. From Central Oklahoma threw an
interception, Dontaye McCoy ran a 45-
yard return back for a touchdown, to
give the Hornets a 14-7 lead. With only
23 seconds left in the half, Donner ran
three yards for a touchdown. After a
missed extra point, Emporia held a 14-
13 lead in the half.

Coming out and scoring quickly in
the third quarter on a 42-yard field goal
by Rob Contreras, the Hornets had
taken a five-point lead. However,
Central Oklahoma turned things
around and scored 15 points in the
third quarter. Emporia came back with
eight points, but it wasn't enough as
Central Oklahoma held on to win 28-
21. Emporia will play tomorrow at
home against the Mules of Central
Missouri. □

Washburn field goal proves crucial in its three-point win

The Ichabods of Washburn held off
Fort Hays State to win their home
opening football game last Saturday.
Early in the first quarter, Fort Hays
scored on a 31-yard run by Michael
Sanders to give the team a 7-0 advan-
tage. Cody Snyder put the Ichabods
back in the game with his 26-yard run
for a touchdown. After the extra point
was missed, Fort Hays held a 7-6 lead.
The second quarter saw more of
Snyder as his 15-yard touchdown run
put his team on top 14-7, after the two-
point conversion was successful.

The Ichabods lacked on three more
points late in the third quarter when
Chad Todd made a 27-yard field goal,
which proved to be the difference in
the game as Washburn held on to win.
They moved to 2-0 this season and will
face Missouri Southern tomorrow in
Topeka, KS. □

In losing cause, Okwuonu brings in three touchdowns

Fans at the University of Missouri-
Rolla saw a tight football game on
Saturday as the Miners played host to
Missouri Valley. Missouri Valley
struck first on a 15-yard run by
Anthony Dunn, giving the team a 7-0
edge.

UMR came back quickly, getting
on the board one play later. Ken
Okwuonu ran 84 yards to tie the game,
7-7.

Later in the first quarter, Josh
Cullen completed a five-yard pass to
Clark Marion for a touchdown as
Missouri Valley regained the lead.

Marion saw his second touchdown
of the day in the second quarter after
receiving a 15-yard pass from Cullen,
giving his team a 20-14 edge at the
half.

Okwuonu ran 66 yards for his third
touchdown of the day, but not before
Jervon Walton ran for a one-yard
touchdown to give Missouri Valley the
lead and hold on for the win, 28-20.
Missouri Valley moved to 1-1 on the
season. The Miners dropped to 0-2 and
will next see action tomorrow at home
against Missouri Western. □

Rutledge admires course conditions

coach expects
large turnout

By VINCE SWEENEY
Sports Editor

With two races complete, the
Lady's cross country team is satis-
fied with its early accomplish-
ments.

Traveling to Lawrence, Kan.,
this weekend to compete in the
University of Kansas Invitational,
the Lions recorded a total of 76
points to finish third out of six
teams.

They won the meet with a total of
10 points.

Coach Rutledge, head coach,
says the team needs to focus on
certain areas.

Overall, my guys did well," he
said.

His goal was to get five guys in
the second pack. We had four.
We have to get that fifth man. It's
going to be crucial in confer-
ence."

Rutledge also pointed out his
team are racing better.

For some, this was their first
10-meter race ever, and that's a
"adjustment," he said.

Rutledge said the way for the Lions
is freshman Larry Boswell, with
a time of 27:09, finishing eighth
overall. Boswell was also
named MIAA Athlete of the
week.

(the Kansas Invitational)
is pretty good," he said. "This
is the first time I ever ran an
and I didn't know what to
expect, but it felt pretty good."

He didn't think the team per-
formed as well as it could have,
injuries played a big role.

Rutledge said the Lions beat the
University of Oklahoma by five
points, which he believed was
an accomplishment.

He also thought Truman State
University, which finished

second, was beatable, but
Southern needed the fifth man in
its pack.

At this point, Rutledge believes
that is one of the main things that
needs work.

The Lions spent the week
preparing for the Southern
Stampede which begins at 9 a.m.
tomorrow in Hughes Stadium.
Rutledge said there should easily
be 1,000 runners.

He also notes this will be the
largest Southern Stampede ever,
with close to 30 colleges or uni-
versities attending.

"The main reason for that is
because regionals and nationals
are going to be here," Rutledge
said.

The University of Arkansas,
which has won more national
championships than any other
school, will attend.

Oral Roberts University and the
University of Tulsa are also
expected to show.

Rutledge said other schools may
come from as far as California,
Minnesota, North Dakota, and
South Dakota. He said this meet
is one of the few Division II races
where so many Division I schools
come.

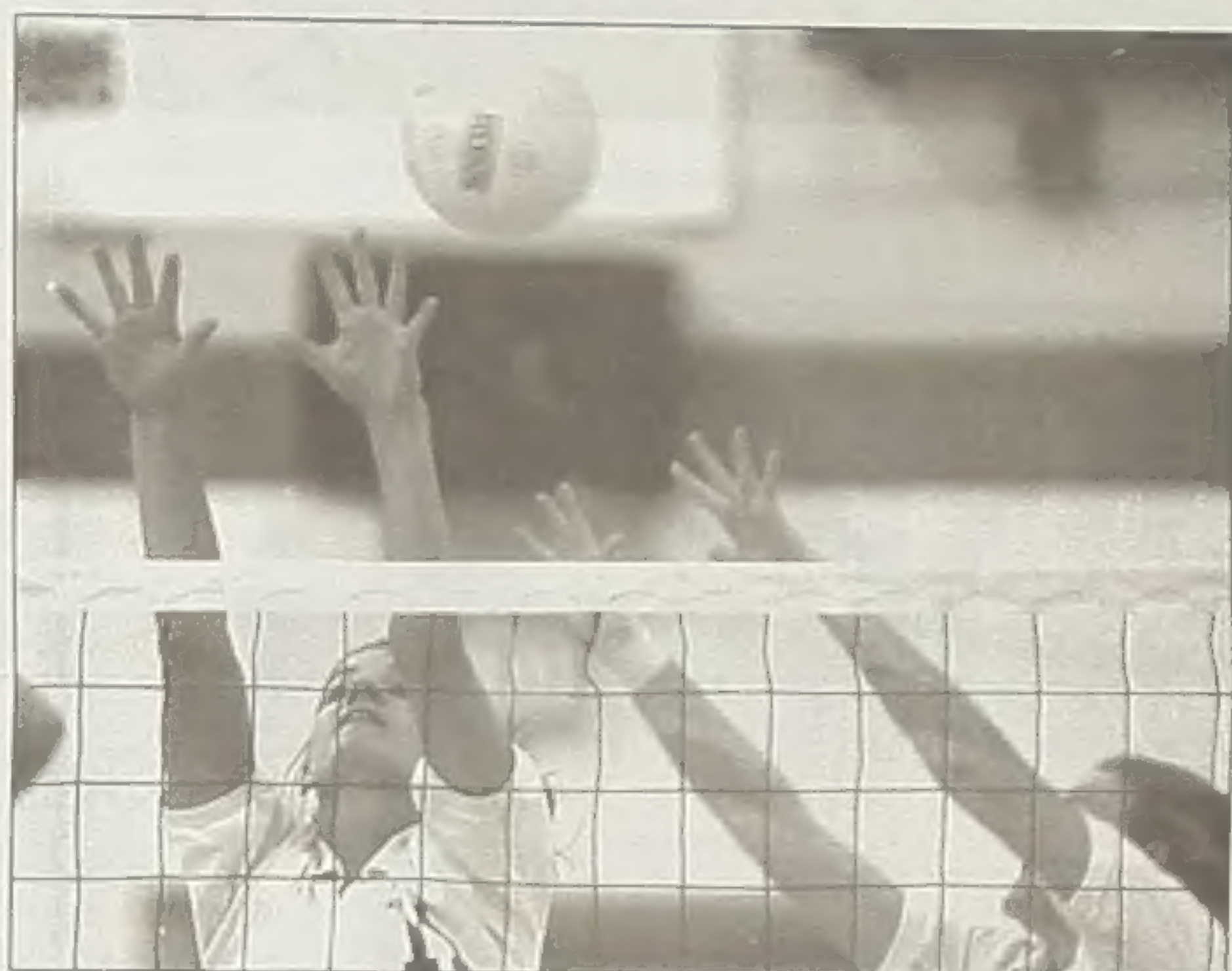
Rutledge said the course looks
the best it ever has, and the day
promises to be outstanding.

"Warren Turner [head baseball
coach] has helped me get the
course in great shape [by]
putting sod down," Rutledge said.

Boswell said this week's prac-
tices have been nothing different.
He believes the Lions are ready
for tomorrow, and thinks they are
contenders in this race.

"We're doing the same things
we've been doing," he said.

"We're keeping the same weekly
plan. It will be tougher competi-
tion so we have to get mentally
tough. I'm proud of this team.
We're moving along real well
team-wise." □



Junior Crissy Schulz (left) and Junior Angie Shockley (right) return the ball to their Northwest Missouri opponents during Saturday's action in Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium.

Lady Lions devour rival PSU

By KRISTY HAMBY
Staff Writer

Southern's spikers dropped two of three matches
last weekend.

The Lady Lions began the weekend Thursday with
regional foe Henderson State from Arkansas.
Southern lost the match in the fifth game.

"It was a heartbreaking loss," said coach Debbie
Traywick. "We stopped being aggressive in the fifth
game."

"Thursday was a close match, but we should have
won before the fifth game," said senior Meredith
Hyde.

The team bounced back Friday by spiking MIAA
opponent Missouri Western State College in three
straight games to conclude the match.

According to Traywick, the team played inconsis-
tently during the games; however, they managed to
come from behind and win each game.

"Everyone played like a team," Hyde said. "We also
had a great crowd supporting us Friday."

The luck ran out on the Lady Lions Saturday when
Northwest Missouri State University came to Joplin.
Southern lost three straight games. According to
Traywick, nothing could go right for the team. She
said they had poor passing ability and just played
very badly overall.

"We looked like two completely different teams on
Friday and Saturday," said junior Stephanie Bunker.

She said passing the ball has never been a problem
for the team, until Saturday.

With the weekend behind, the Ladies licked their
wounds and came out looking to devour arch rival
Pittsburg State University Wednesday night. They
did just that.

The Ladies beat the Lady Gorillas in four games to
win the match.

The team's overall record consists of 5-7 matches,
2-1 conference games, 2-2 at home, 0-1 away, and 3-4
on neutral courts.

The Lady Lions will return to action Wednesday
when they face Central Missouri State University at 7
p.m. in Warrensburg. □

Vavra brings smaller pack to tough Kansas course

By VINCE SWEENEY
Sports Editor

ough competition played a huge
role Saturday as the Lady Lions
cross country team traveled to the
University of Kansas.

The team was competing in its
second event of the season. They
ended 126 points, finishing in fifth
place out of six teams.

First place went to the University
of Arkansas, which scored a perfect
score.

Vavra, women's cross coun-
try coach, said the meet was much

smaller from past years. She was
proud that most of her runners had
improved their times on the course
from last year.

"We packed the top three very
tight," she said. "But we had over a
minute between our third runner
and fourth and fifth runner. The
one-minute break between the
pack was what hurt us."

Leading the pack for the Lady
Lions was sophomore Margaret
Miklovic with a time of 20:00.
Miklovic came in 14th place.
Behind her was sophomore
Chasity Hank at 20:11, finishing

19th place. Other runners compet-
ing were freshman Ashleigh
Wendleton, 25th at 21:28; senior Jill
Becker, 33rd at 21:02; junior Emily
Petty, 37th at 21:19; and freshman
Brenna McCall, 40th at 21:34.

Vavra only took six runners
because this is a young team and
she believes some of the freshmen
were not ready. She did note that
this was a good experience and her
team would learn much from it.

"It was great exposure for our
athletes on a quality course," she
said. "It can only make us stronger
for the remainder of the season."

"It went pretty good," Becker
said.

"It was a tough course and you
can't judge a lot by that. It was
good exposure on a tough course."

The Lady Lions will be competing
next in tomorrow's Southern
Stampede at Hughes Stadium.
Vavra said this is going to be a
large field of runners, bigger than
the nationals competition.

Vavra said a number of Division II
schools from around the coun-
try will be competing at this meet
to preview the national course.

"There will be great competition,"

Vavra said. "I think it's good to get
in a meet like this before regionals.
I hope this brings out the best in
us, especially being home."

Becker said the practices have
been harder this week in prepara-
tion for the Stampede.

Because of these practices, she
believes the team is getting better
and will be closing in their pack
time.

"If we're not motivated for this
one, we're not going to be," Vavra
said.

"All the pieces are there. We just
have to have a great race." □

A CLOSER LOOK

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Rebecca Sorrels (left), 39, receives a Tarot card reading from Paula Howard, co-owner of Mystic Encounters in Rogers, Ark. Howard said the cards act as a tool for her psychic reading ability.

& skeptics & believers

Experience, education square off in battle of mind

Instructors say fortune tellers have little to substantiate; student holds different opinion

By RHONDA CLARK AND ERIC GRUBER
Associate Editors

Advertisements attack consumers almost daily with advice on love, life, and money. Psychic hotlines and mediums not only provide advice, but also snap a chunk of pocket change from their customers. Paula and Charles Howard, psychics and owners of Mystic Encounters in Rogers, Ark., don't seek money when giving face-to-face consultations. "We're not in it for the money," Charles said. "The retail stuff keeps us open. A lot of the people who come in here, they don't have money. We don't want them to call the \$4.95 per minute. They go broke on that." The clairvoyant husband and wife team find it easier to deal with someone face-to-face instead of a on phone line because the customer doesn't worry about the reading's cost. They set a charge as a donation, but in the past have received payment in the form of artwork, a leather handbag, and even a car needing a little work. "I set the charge at \$25," Paula said. "If they don't have \$25, and they only have \$5, I'm still going to do a read. I'm not going to turn them down just because they don't have the money." Charles said, "Sometimes people just have a question," in which case the reading is free. Dr. Betsy Griffin, head of the psychology department, offers some reasons as to what motivates a

person to connect with a psychic. "I think people who call are probably looking for some way to feel a little more sure about the future," she said. Griffin suspects psychic techniques include generalization to gain the trust and acceptance of their clients. This Barnum Effect, coined after the circus promoter P.T. Barnum, increases a psychic reader's effectiveness. "If you make comments sound good to people and general (enough), then everybody feels like it applies to them," she said. For one Missouri Southern student, this summer proved a scary experience with a psychic in Sherman, Texas, who knew a little too much. "We were driving by from a friend's house and saw the sign that said 'Palm Reading For \$10,' and we thought it would be fun," said Amanda Pulce, junior biology major. "When I walked in there, she told me I needed to quit wearing silver eye shadow and I didn't have any on, but I like to wear it when I go out." Pulce also said the reading focused on personal aspects like her new car, money she had recently received, and personal information about her family. One of her friends who went with her had a similar experience. "She had my friend like, crying, and she got her to by these rocks — \$250," Pulce said. She might go to a psychic again, but not anytime soon even though the experience was accurate. The reading scared Pulce, and she cautions anyone entertaining the idea of visiting a medium. "If they would like to go, make sure that they're ready for what they hear, because they might be surprised," she said. Finding hard proof of existence of the paranormal remains elusive. Dr. Roger Paige, professor of psychology, said Duke University provided some of the

best research on the subject, but the program lost credibility. Some 15 years ago, one of the researchers publicly admitted falsifying data. During the 1970s, Paige taught parapsychology as a continuing education course while he was an instructor at North Central Missouri College after students approached him with an interest in the subject. "It turned out that the people who took the class, some had more than just a curiosity," he said. "Some of them thought they had some psychic abilities of one kind or another." Paige believes there are two types of persons who dial up the psychics. "I'm in one category of person who looks at it and thinks, 'Um, probably not, but maybe,' and I think that's one kind of person who will call a psychic hotline," he said. "The other kind is what I would call an insecure person who doesn't exactly fit the mainstream and who isn't a part of the Zeitgeist — the conventional thinking of the day." Paige thinks psychics remain in business not because they possess supernatural powers, but simply good people-reading skills. These may include watching facial expressions, posture, questions asked, voice tones, or rate of speech. He classifies psychic phenomena as "junk science" since studies are not carefully controlled and prove unreliable. Describing himself as a skeptic who "just might" call a psychic someday out of curiosity, Paige cautions potential hotline customers to not make the call. "I think it's just too shaky as a source of information," he said. With the increase in technology, Paige believes there is no more interest now than in the past, only increased accessibility. "If Isaiah were alive today and needed to make a living, he might open up a psychic hotline," Paige said.



Charles Howard (right), co-owner of Mystic Encounters, shows a black cat candle to a student, Betsy Jones, hairdresser.

Paula agrees there are people in the world only into reading for the money, and there are signs which are easy to spot. "The emphasis on money, for one thing, is not good. They'll give you the up-front amount, and they're willing to pay it, that's fine. If they ask for extra money above and beyond what they've told you, question it. Get a second opinion. Don't just hand over your money. A lot of it is just a scam." □

Telephone psychics lack true clairvoyance

By RHONDA CLARK
Associate Editor

Okay, I admit I was fascinated by the "unexplained" as a teenager. Stumber parties included Ouija boards, Tarot cards, horoscopes, and the Magic Eight Ball. Everyone was fascinated as the information mirrored our own lives.

Key in "psychic" on the Internet, and literally thousands of matches may appear. TV bombards us with ads for psychic hotlines to help with finances, love life, or well-being. Most people have seen the perky person, usually female, who exclaims, "Oh my gosh, I just couldn't believe they knew everything about me!"

The eternal skeptic, I simply smirked at their gullibility as they wasted their money.

Well, I decided to "waste" a little money and see what the psychic hotline hype was all about.

Dallas phone listings total some 68 mediums or hotlines. Two local mediums profess "99 percent" accuracy, while others provided "aura cleansing." The American Association of Professional Psychics hotline ad stated, "Don't be fooled by imitations," and was even registered with the U.S. government — registered as what?

I decided to keep my business local. A stroll through the Joplin Yellow Pages revealed 10 hotline numbers to select from.

A pleasant recording of a female voice greeted me and said I could "speak free, yes free" — one of their professional psychics. The listing voice said one could get 10 free minutes — that is, two free minutes for each time you call, not to exceed five calls a month.

Two payment plans provided a 900 number for \$3.99 per minute, or an 800 number with a savings of 50 cents per minute when using MasterCard, Visa, American Express, or Discover.

I selected the first payment option. I had a funny feeling giving these people my credit card over the phone.

A recording instructed me to punch my psychic's extension or press "one" to speak directly with a psychic.

A short, "Hello," greeted me.

"Is this the psychic?" I asked. After answering yes, she fired questions. What's your name, your birth date, and what number I dial? We were just getting to know each other when the line abruptly connected.

Guess it might not be in the card, talk to a psychic today. Undoubtedly redialed.

A psychic with a Brooklyn accent answered. She again asked my birth date, and if I knew my sign, I confessed myself an Aries, and the psychic rattled off the personality traits of the Ram.

"After the call, I didn't feel more enlightened. As for psychics, my advice is next time you walk past the plastic gypsy in the glass box and she says, 'Give me a quarter, I'll tell you your fortune,' jump on it."

"Does this sound like you?" she asked. Well, certainly I sounded like me, in some form or fashion.

"Good, now cross your arms and legs at anytime during the reading," she continued in the manner of other people who echoed in the background.

In rapid succession she fired off numerous questions. "Cards" were stress, trouble with friends or family, minor disappointments, and the like.

This barrage of questioning ended until she discovered I had been married for more than 20 years and had children. Bingo! The psychic gave me a new direction to go. She felt I was having difficulty communicating with my husband (oh my goodness, that Mars thing does exist!).

She repeatedly stated, "You know what I'm saying," throughout the reading.

Some five minutes later, my psychic felt this cold reading was coming over, and declared, overall, we were going well for me, and that maybe I needed a part-time job to complete my life.

After the call, I didn't feel more enlightened. As for psychics, my advice is next time you walk past plastic gypsy in the glass box and she says, "Give me a quarter, I'll tell you your fortune," jump on it.

It's the best bargain in the psychic world. Better yet, stock up on fortune cookies. □